



13<sup>th</sup> October 2021

**No.4**

## PARENT BULLETIN

This bulletin will allow us to give updates for parents all in one place. The links will take you to relevant updates/letters for your child's year group or to websites to locate information which you might find useful.

### Parents' Evening

Parents' Evening appointments are now available to be booked via your child's MCAS account and details how to do this can be found [here](#) should you need any assistance. Appointments are a 5 minute slot to discuss with your child's class teacher how well your child has settled into their new class and answer any questions you may have.

- **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October - appointments will be held at school**  
*or alternatively*
- **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October - appointments will be held on-line or by telephone** please indicate at the time of booking if you would prefer a telephone call or Teams video call. If you have requested a Teams appointment, you will receive an invitation following this. *Please do not come into school on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>.*

For appointments at school, both parents are welcome to attend but we would ask where possible that children do not attend. We encourage face coverings whilst on site.

The system will close for bookings on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> October.

### Cauliflower Cards

Please may we remind you that the deadline for Cauliflowers Cards is Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October. Orders need to be placed and artwork returned to school by Monday, at the very latest.

### Harvest festival

Thank you for your donations so far – we really do appreciate your generosity. Please can we ask that donations are bought into school no later than Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October and arrangements will then be made for them to be taken and distributed via the Trussel Trust foodbank.

***Thank you for your support.***

You may have seen the recent post on Solihull & Shirley updates of a wheatsheaf and loaf of bread, made by a night's manager at Tesco Solihull. This was kindly donated to TGPA St James (along with food items for the foodbank). The photo shows the amazing pieces being presented to one of our Governors, Julie Skipp.



## Year 6 Residential

Lots of fresh air is on the menu for our Year 6 pupils currently in Plas Gwynant, Snowdonia this week. Mountain climbing and canoeing took place yesterday and it sounds like they are having a wonderful time!

We hope that parents are managing to follow the tweets (when they get signal/reception!) on Twitter.

Follow them @TGASTJames



### Wild Starling Tuition

One to One tuition based in Shirley.

Please contact Mrs K Starling (Bed Hons) on 07738 673085 for further information.

## What's happening – October Diary Dates!

What....	Information.....	Date/Time....
Y6 Residential Visit	Plas Gwynant	11 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> October
Y5 Planetarium Visit	£4.25 payable via MCAS	13 <sup>th</sup> October
Parents' Evenings	Bookable via your child's MCAS account	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> – at school Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> – Virtual
End of term Worship for pupils	St James Church	22 <sup>nd</sup> October (pupils only)
	Half term	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> October
Church Quiz evening	Church House, Shirley - details to follow	30 <sup>th</sup> October