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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.

Harvest festival



Thank you for your donations received – we really do appreciate your generosity. We are still collecting until tomorrow, 22nd October and arrangements will then be made for them to be taken and distributed via the Trussell Trust foodbank.

Thank you for your support.

Halloween biscuits

Halloween shortbread biscuits will be on sale tomorrow for 50p. If your child would like a biscuit (we suggest one per child), please bring 50p in a named envelope. The money raised will go into PTA funds.



PTA update

We are looking to reform the PTA at Tudor Grange Primary Academy St James and would like enthusiastic parents from our school community to help us get this up and running again. In the past the PTA has hosted fantastic events that have been enjoyed by the pupils and the wider school community, and pupils have benefitted from the funds raised by such events. If you are interested in learning more about the PTA and how you might be able to help, please complete the following short questionnaire: https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=IUVmEPifGE2U9SfICX2T_SFHXgSp9a9Cs1-KZ2HxCMhUMjJFMkFSQ1VONTdBTEYzUVRVUkNRMkVQQi4u.

We will be in touch with those parents who have expressed an interest via this form after half term in order to organise a meeting.

Reminder - 'Show Racism the Red Card' event

Just to remind you that we are encouraging all pupils and staff to wear something red to school for the day tomorrow. School uniform must still be worn, but an item can be swapped to wear something red (e.g. a red pair of trousers, red socks or shoes or a red hair accessory). A donation of £1 per pupil is requested and this will be donated to the Show Racism the Red Card Charity. Many thanks in advance for helping us to support this important cause.

Household support – October half term

We have been asked to pass on the following information (this applies **only** to families who are eligible for free school meals)...

A proposal to continue with providing food support to families in receipt of free school meals, with a payment of £15 per child for this October half term, is due to be considered at a council meeting in mid-October. If approved, the payment will be in the form of supermarket vouchers, as part of the Household Support initiative.

If you have already registered and are entitled to free school meals in Solihull, you will automatically receive your voucher and therefore do not need to contact the council. If approved, vouchers will be issued on Friday 22 October 2021.

For more information, please contact

Household support team edfreesm@solihull.gov.uk.

MCAS purchases

If you purchase any items through MCAS:- (beanie hats, caps, sports bags or water bottles), please may we ask that you send a short email to the office to notify us. We will then take the item to your child to bring home. Unfortunately, the system does not alert us to the purchase and we are aware that we may miss your order.

What's happening – October Diary Dates!

What....	Information.....	Date/Time....
End of term Worship for pupils	St James Church	22 nd October (pupils only)
Show Racism the Red Card event	£1 – wear something red	22 nd October
Halloween Biscuit sale	50p - Shortbread biscuits (Allergens:- Wheat)	22 nd October
	Half term	Monday 25 th October – Friday 29 th October

Wishing you all a lovely half term!