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Dear Parents and Carers,

There are a number of updates that we need to share with you in this newsletter about important forthcoming events. We have attached an updated Diary Dates sheet for the rest of this term- as explained below there are some changes to some published dates due to a number of reasons.

PTA AGM

As many of you will remember the PTA AGM was postponed in October, and will now take place later this week on Thursday 15th November at 7pm in the school hall. I understand that whilst we have had lots of new eager members, we are still short of some of the key committee roles, without which the PTA cannot operate. I hope that the AGM will conclude positively with all of the positions filled. Please come along to this meeting- the PTA really does make a wonderful difference to our school.

Christmas Carol Concerts

Please note that we have had to make some fairly radical changes to our Christmas Carol Concerts this year. This is because St. Bernadette's Church has had a fire and although they were originally hopeful that the church would be ready for us to use, this now seems unlikely. Rather than risk having to cancel at short notice, we have decided for this year only to run our events at school in our own hall. This will mean things having to run rather differently, and in some cases on different days to previously published - see updated diary dates sheet:

- Nursery and Reception events are unaffected.
- Key Stage 1 (Year 1 and 2) will perform their Nativity show twice- once in the afternoon, and once in the early evening.
- Lower Key Stage 2 (Year 3 and 4) will perform their Carol Concert twice- once in the afternoon, and once in the early evening.
- Upper Key Stage 2 (Year 5 and 6) will perform their Carol Concert twice- once in the afternoon, and once in the early evening.



Due to fire restrictions and space in our hall, we will only allow 2 tickets per family for each event. However, we will allow people to request additional tickets should numbers allow. We will ensure the siblings in school see the dress rehearsals of these shows.

We have thought long and hard about this and whilst we know this is not ideal, we are confident that this will allow as many people as possible to see the children perform during their Christmas event. Letters will come out in a week or so to enable parents to order tickets and request additional tickets. We fully expect to be back to 'normal' next year at St. Bernadette's! Thank you for your support with this.

Maths No Problem Evening

In September we informed you that we would be holding a Maths No Problem evening to provide you with more information about our new Maths approach and how you can help at home. **This meeting will be held in the school hall on Monday 26th November at 6pm.** We hope to see you there! A letter with more details will follow from Mr. Steigenberger soon.



Road Crossings and Parking

You might remember media coverage earlier this year about concerns over crossing the road in front of school. Development work to find a solution to this, as well as to understand parking issues around school in general, has been continuing behind the scenes, with various speed surveys and traffic surveys taking place. The team involved are now in a position to launch a public consultation to discuss the issues and possible solutions.

There will be two meetings in school, one between 2:30 and 4pm on Wednesday 21st November for parents, and one between 5 and 7pm on the same evening. This will give you, and the local community, the chance to see what options are available and to share your views. We hope lots of you will find the time to come to one of these sessions as we know this is an important issue. More details will follow from the team organising this.

I am saddened to hear that our neighbours at Links Holt estate are still noticing a large number of parents parking in and around the estate. One resident has expressed concerns that over 30 cars are using the estate regularly at pick up times. I am informed that they have now started collecting the registration numbers of offending vehicles, and will be informing the Honorary Police if this problem continues. It is really disappointing that parents are continuing to flout the rules, and causing this tension when we have designated parking at Les Creux. Please use the allocated parking areas so this problem does not continue.

Staff News

We are sad to announce that at the end of this term Miss Carre will be leaving us. As some of you may be aware, Miss Carre is getting married just before Christmas, and following her wedding she has decided to move back to Guernsey to set up home. Miss Carre has been a great member of our teaching team since she started here in 2017 and we will miss her...but know she will enjoy being back 'home' in Guernsey. We will ensure at the end of this term we give her a proper send off.

We are delighted to announce that we have appointed an experienced teacher, Miss Creswell, to take over Miss Carre's class for the remainder of the school year. Miss Creswell has worked for a number of years at d'Auvergne primary school and is very enthusiastic about joining our team in the new year. Year 4 parents have already been informed about this.

As you will be aware, Miss Mulhern has been on secondment at First Tower school this term. For the remainder of the academic year this secondment will continue, and although we are missing Miss Mulhern, this is a great professional development opportunity for her. Miss Munro will continue to teach her current class for the rest of the school year in Miss Mulhern's absence. Year 2 parents have already been informed about this.

Breakfast Club Review- Outcomes

We have completed our review of Breakfast Club. This has included consulting with parents, comparing our services to other schools and reviewing the financial structure of the club. We will be sending a letter out early next week to explain our new Breakfast Club offer. Thank you so much for your contributions to this process and your patience whilst this work has been undertaken.



Yours sincerely

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Headteacher