

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are heading into another busy time of year, so here are a few reminders of events coming up and changes to our staff for the next academic year.

LAMDA showcase event

This week we are holding a LAMDA showcase event on the 26th June from 6.30pm-8pm in the school hall (tickets cost £1 and are available from the SEA or via the school office on 01773 822278). Doors will open at 6.15pm. All LAMDA students are to arrive at school at 6pm and go to the old entrance to Kidzone and down the stairs to the Year 1 classroom which will be used for <u>children only</u> to practice/go through details of the event the entrance for all adults and visitors is via the porch door to the school hall. There will be a short interval where refreshments may be purchased and also a raffle which will be drawn at the end of the event, after certificates have been given out to the children.

Y5 music trip

Year 5 are taking their brass instruments to play along with the famous Halle Symphony Orchestra on 26th June. It is a fantastic opportunity for our young musicians who will get to see, hear, play and even dance along to the Halle's music.

INSET reminder

Please remember our final INSET Day of the academic year is on Friday 28th June, school will be closed to all children. If you should need childcare KidZone will be open, but places must be booked in advance with Marie on 07738 353094.

Reading books returned to school by Thursday 27th June

You may think this is an unusual request part way through term, however unfortunately MyBookBlog is ceasing to exist, and we will be moving to a new reading scheme for September. ON the INSET day (Friday 28th June) all staff will receive training on the new scheme and every single book in school will need to be added to an inventory, labelled and re-categorised to match the new levels. Please can all books from home be returned to school by Thursday 27th June in order for us to start this huge undertaking!

Staffing changes for September and transition

We have one change with teachers, Miss Holmes will be teaching in Year 6 and Miss Fitzpatrick will be in Year 5. We have also secured the employment of Miss Peynado who is a Teaching Assistant and has joined our team already and has received a great welcome from staff, children and many parents – thank you! All children will be having a transition day on Wednesday 3rd July when they will meet their new teachers as they line up on the playground, spend the day in their classroom for next year and are released by that member of staff. You may want to remind your child where you will be meeting them, especially our current reception class who normally meet their adults near the office, for this transition day the children will meet you on the bottom playground as they will be leaving their year 1 classroom.



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Parent Workshop

You may have noticed in the news the familiar topic of anxiety and how children are younger when they need support for this. In order to support parents and families, we have organised an online parent workshop on 9th July from 5pm-6.30pm. The workshop is for adults only and will be hosted by Compass: Changing Lives, a group that regularly come into school to support group work and deliver assemblies with our children. In order to join you simply need to click on the link below at 5pm on Tuesday 9th July (no cost and no booking needed).

Microsoft Teams Need help?

Join the meeting now

Meeting ID: 374 102 159 424 Passcode: DsQ2SL

Midday Supervisors

Are you interested in being part of a team of midday supervisors working from 11.45am to 1.05pm supervising dinners and encouraging play activities on the playground and field as well as looking after the children's needs during this time? If this is something you might be interested in please call the school office on 01773 822278 and have a chat with Mrs Hyde.

Y5/6 end of year performance

The annual Y5/6 school play will be performed on Monday 8th July to the whole school, on Tuesday 9th July at 2pm and then on Wednesday 10th July at 6.30pm to parents and visitors, tickets can be booked by parents (letters have gone home this week – please check school bags).

It has been brought to our attention that John Flamsteed School at holding a Y5 open night on Wednesday 10th, we have been in contact and made an agreement that an alternative date will be allocated to our parents in September, we will let you know this date as soon as we receive this.

Our Parish News

The link to our Parish website for updates of times and services at Our Lady's on Gibfield Lane, Belper or St Joseph's, Ripley or St Margaret's, Duffield is <u>https://catholic-ambervalley.uk/parish/belper/</u>

Calendar of events

Please remember to scroll down and see the calendar of events, this does get updated regularly and some dates may change so please continue to check this throughout the school year. Please note that dates for the academic year 2024-25 have begun to be added.

Thank you all for your continued support and God Bless,

Mrs Clemens. Headteacher.



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	2023/2024	
Monday 24 th June	Y6 transition to secondary school work with Compass	Y6 pupils
Wednesday 26 th June	Y5 children trip to play alongside and listen to the famous Halle Orchestra	Y5 pupils to Derby
Thursday 27 th June	3pm Introducing our new Chaplaincy team	All welcome
riday 28 th June	INSET	School closed to all pupils
Sunday 30 th June	Rodsley Pilgrimage with Bishop Patrick in Mickleover	Everyone is welcome to visit with their families to take part in this pilgrimage
Vednesday 3 rd July	Transition Day	All children move to next class
Thursday 4 th July	Y4 Class assembly	Y4 parents welcome
Friday 5 th July	Summer Fayre	All welcome - opens to parents and families at 2.30pm until 5.30pm
Sunday 7 th July	First Holy Communion Mass for Y3 and Y4 pupils 11am at Our Lady's Church, Gibfield Lane, Belper	Y3 and Y4 pupils making FHC and their families invited
Monday 8 th July	Y5/6 Performance	All pupils
Tuesday 9 th July	Y5/6 Performance starting at 2pm	Parents welcome - tickets
Tuesday 9 th July	parents "Supporting children with anxiety" from Compass: Changing Lives	workshop (not suitable for children to attend) please use the link. Microsoft Teams Join the meeting now Meeting ID: 374 102 159 424 Passcode: DsQ2SL
Wednesday 10 th July	Y5/6 Performance starting at 6.30pm	Parents welcome - tickets
hursday 11 th July	3pm EYFS Celebration of the Word and Class assembly	Parents and carers of EYFS welcome
Friday 12 th July	Reception to Y5 reports to parents (Y6 reports will follow once their SATs results have been received)	
Friday 12 th July	Summer outdoor disco 6-7.30pm	All pupils
Tuesday 16 th July	Lamda exams	Lamda pupils
Wednesday 17 th July	Opportunity for parents to discuss reports, please call school if you would like to talk to a teacher	
Thursday 18 th July	3pm FHC reflection for Y3 (party earlier in the afternoon)	Y3 pupils and their families
Monsay 22 nd July	Leaver's Mass with Fr Robbie and tree planting	Y6 pupils and their families
Fuesday 23rd	Leaver's Assembly at 10am in the school hall	Whole school and Y6 parents
Tuesday 23 rd July	Break up for summer	Last day for all pupils
	Calendar for 2024-	
	2025	



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Wednesday 4 th September	INSET	School closed to all pupils
Thursday 5 th September	Back to school	All pupils
Thursday 5 th September	3pm Celebration of the Word and reflection with Joe our Chaplain	All pupils
Friday 6 th September		All pupils
Thursday 19 th September	3pm Y5 Celebration of the Word – theme peace	Whole school and parents of Y5 pupils
Thursday 26 th September	3pm Y4 Celebration of the Word	Whole school and parents of Y4 pupils
Friday 27 th September	2.30pm in the school hall coffee and cake afternoon to support Macmillan Cancer Support, meet our SENCo, Pupil Premium lead and meet the SEA – the St Elizabeth's Association who are the fundraising team for school	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Thursday 3 rd October	3pm Y6 Celebration of the Word – theme Stewardship	Whole school and parents of Y6 pupils
Friday 4 th October	Feast Day of St Francis	All pupils
Thursday 10 th October	3pm Celebration of the Word with Compass on Mental Health	All pupils
Wednesday 16 th October	World food Day	
Thursday 17 th October	Harvest Festival	All invited
Friday 25 th October	Break up for half term	All pupils
Monday 28 th October – Friday 1 st November	Half term holiday	School closed to all pupils
Monday 4 th November	Back to school	All pupils
Friday 29 th November	INSET	School closed to all pupils
Friday 20 th December	Break up for Christmas holidays	All pupils
Monday 23 rd December -Friday 3 rd January		School closed to all pupils
Monday 6 th January	Back to school	All pupils
Friday 10 th January	Choir go to perform at Young Voices	Choir
Thursday 16 th January	3pm Y5 Celebration of the Word and class assembly	Whole school and parents of Y5 pupils
Thursday 23 rd January	3pm Y6 Celebration of the Word and class assembly	Whole school and parents of Y6 pupils
Thursday 30 th January	3pm Y4 Celebration of the Word and class assembly	Whole school and parents of Y4 pupils
Thursday 6 th February	3pm Y3 Celebration of the Word and class assembly	Whole school and parents of Y3 pupils
Tuesday 11 th February	Our Lady of Lourdes – Mary Pilgrimage led by Faith In action group	All pupils
Thursday 13 th February	3pm Y2 Celebration of the Word and class assembly	Whole school and parents of Y2 pupils
Thursday 13 th February	Break up for half term	All pupils
Friday 14 th February	INSET	School closed to all pupils
Monday 17 th February -Friday 21 st February	Half term holiday	School closed to all pupils
Monday 24 th February	INSET	School closed to all pupils
Tuesday 25 th February	Back to school	All pupils
Thursday 27 th February	3pm Y1 Celebration of the Word and class assembly	Whole school and parents of Y1 pupils
Tuesday 4 th March	Shrove Tuesday	Pancakes on the dinner menu
Wednesday 5 th March	Ash Wednesday	



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World Book Day	All pupils dress up as their favourite book
At 9.15am there is World Book Day	character - any parents visiting, feel free
Assembly in the hall, all invited, including	to dress up if you wish to do so no
a parade of all costumes	pressure :)
Science week begins	All pupils
3pm Reception Class Celebration of the	Whole school and parents of Reception
Word and class assembly	Class pupils
Big Lent Walk	All pupils, wear active uniform and
	appropriate footwear
Y3/4 Easter Performance at 2pm in the school hall	All invited
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the school hall	
Break up for Easter holidays	All pupils
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Back to school	All pupils
Bank Holiday	School closed to all pupils
Y6 SATs week	All Y6 pupils
1.15pm Marian Celebration of the Word	1.15pm Marian Celebration of the Word,
	all welcome
	All pupils
	School closed to all pupils
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Back to school	All pupils
3pm Corpus Christi Celebration of the	All invited
Word led by Joe and the Chaplaincy	
Team with Adoration	
INSET	School closed to all pupils
3pm St Peter and Paul Celebration of the	All invited
2pm Y5/6 Performance	Parents invited
6.30pm Y5/6 Performance	Parents invited
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Break up for summer holidays	All pupils
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