



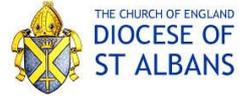
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Friday 22nd September 2017

Dear parents,

It has been lovely to see our new children start to settle in so well and see older children welcoming and helping them around school. I was very proud of Oak class who enjoyed a visit to Lee Valley White Water Park last week. They were able to watch Olympic athletes train on the rapids and tried out canoeing for themselves. Instructors and athletes commented on their respectful behaviour and 'have a go' attitude.



I will be holding a parent forum meeting from 8.45am on Thursday 28th September in the hall. This meeting is open to all and is an opportunity to make suggestions and hear about improvements we are making at the school. I hope you will be able to join me.

Kind regards,

Mrs Bridgman

Hidden Talent

Due to the relocation of our Spanish teacher over the Summer holidays, we have had to review our teaching of modern foreign languages. This has revealed some hidden talent among our staff. Therefore, we will be introducing and teaching French in school this term. Madame Tracey will be leading lessons in KS1 and KS2 and Madame White will be leading lessons in Ash class.

Parentmail App

There is a Parentmail App available to download on your smartphone so you can receive communication direct without having to open your email. Please search for 'Tonwell St Mary's Primary' at your app store.

Charity Run

Mrs Barnes will be running her first half marathon in Peterborough in a couple of weeks to raise money for the school. All funds donated will help purchase new computing equipment, including a new ipad. If you would like to donate, please visit: <https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/half-marathon-for-tonwell-st-marys>. We wish her the best of luck!



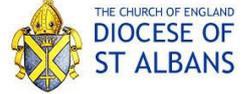
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New Homework Policy

Thank you to all of you who gave feedback on home learning last term. We have adapted our policy to give a more flexible approach to homework which we hope will support all of our families. A copy of the policy will be sent out with this letter and is available on our website in the policies section. Homework will be on the agenda at the parent forum meeting.

Christmas Dates for your diary

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| Tuesday 5 th December | Pantomime visit to Hertford Theatre to watch 'Rapunzel' for YR-6. Friends of Tonwell have kindly agreed to fund this trip. A separate letter will follow. |
| Saturday 9 th December | Friends of Tonwell Christmas Fair 1pm-3pm |
| Tuesday 12 th December | Nativity Church Service at Holy Trinity 1.30pm |