



# Newsletter

Monday 8th January 2018



## Happy New Year!

A very happy New Year to you all! I hope you enjoyed the festive break.

This term we have many exciting events and opportunities for the children to engage in and learn from. Curriculum Information letters will be sent out this week giving Parents more details.

## We are now part of the Uttoxeter Learning Trust

On January 1st 2018, our school converted to an Academy and has joined the Uttoxeter Learning Trust, along with All Saints' First School, Church Leigh and Oldfields Hall Middle School. Ryecroft Middle School will be joining very shortly.

Therefore, the ULT is now made up of 6 schools from First through to Middle and High School within Uttoxeter and the surrounding area:

First: All Saints; Hutchinson Memorial & Picknalls

Middle: Oldfields & Windsor Park

High: Thomas Alleynes

The governing body of Hutchinson Memorial CE First School are delighted to be joining the multi-academy trust, the 'Uttoxeter Learning Trust'. For over two years, we have been working towards converting to an academy and working with the Founder schools to initially establish and develop the ULT. Challenging and exciting times lie ahead as we continue to work together to ensure the ULT goes from strength to strength and lives up to its motto:

**'INSPIRED TEACHING  
INSPIRING CHILDREN'**



## Administrative Changes

As our school is no longer a Staffordshire County Council **maintained** school and now an Academy and part of the ULT, there are very many changes which affect the administrative running of the school. The majority of these do not affect Parents, however, a small minority will.



### Making Payments

Please make all cheques payable to 'Uttoxeter Learning Trust'. This applies to all payments including dinner money, educational visits, after school clubs and voluntary contributions.

### Cashless System

The ULT operates a cashless system. We will be working towards operating such a system, whereby all payments will be made either via a secure online payment system or via 'Pay point' where by cash can be taken in to local shops that offer a 'Pay Point' facility and paid directly to your child's account.

### School Name

As we are now an Academy, we cannot be an 'Aided' Church School. We remain a Church of England school, but the 'A' is omitted from the school's name. We are:  
Hutchinson Memorial C.E. First School

### Owls & Hedgehogs cancelled Educational Visit

Unfortunately, due to dangerous, icy road conditions, the joint educational visit to 'Conkers' had to be cancelled last term.

We have re-arranged 2 separate visits for the classes:

- ◆ Owls will visit Ash End Farm on 1st March 18.
- ◆ Hedgehogs will visit Cadbury's World on 2nd Feb 18.

Therefore, the payment Parents made for the Conkers visit will be used to pay for of these visits. School Fund will be used to pay for the additional cost of both visits.

### Final Practice Student Teacher Placement

We are delighted to welcome Miss Roach to the Hedgehog class.

Miss Roach is a trainee teacher and will be completing her final teaching placement with us this term.

### Parents of Year 2 Children

You are invited to an information evening on **Wednesday 7th February at 6.00pm**. The session will be led by Mrs Manlove and aims to inform Parents of the End of Key Stage 1 Assessment process which your children will be undertaking during May this year.

Further details will be sent closer to the date.

## Dates for the Term

Please note that some dates have had to be changed from previous correspondence. To allow the church sufficient time to prepare for their Maundy Thursday Service, our end of term Easter Service is now on Wednesday 28th March at 9.15am.

An extra Church Worship has been added on the 9th March for a special Mothers' Day Service.

### January

- 9th Open the book assembly
- 10th ULT Headteachers' Professional Board Meeting  
After school Dance starts
- 11th After school Yoga (Year 1 to 4) starts
- 12th Worship in Church  
'Flu vaccinations
- 17th PTFA Meeting 5.30pm
- 22nd Open the Book assembly
- 26th Worship in church
- 31st ULT Education Board Meeting

### February

- 2nd Hedgehogs visit to Cadbury's World
- 5th Open the book assembly
- 6th Safer Internet Day
- 7th ULT Headteachers' Professional Board Meeting  
End of KS1 Assessment Parent Information Evening 6.00pm
- 9th Worship in Church
- 13th Parent / Teacher Meetings
- 14th Parent / Teacher Meetings
- 16th School closes for Half term
- 26th School re-opens  
Open the book assembly  
ULT Headteachers' Professional Board Meeting

### March

- 1st Owls visit to Ash End Farm
- 2nd Worship in church
- 9th Mother's Day worship in Church
- 12th Open the book assembly
- 16th Worship in church
- 26th Open the book assembly  
ULT Headteachers' Professional Board Meeting
- 27th Easter Disco 5-6.30pm
- 28th End of Term Easter Service 9.15am
- 29th School closes for the Easter Holidays and reopens on Monday 16th April