

**Friday 20th October  
2017**

## Diary Dates

- 23rd - 27th October - HALF TERM
- 01.11.2017 - Academy Conversion Day
- 07.11.2017 - Individual/Sibling Photo's
- 17.11.2017 - Children in Need – Mufti
- 21.11.2017 - Autumn Disco
- 24.11.2017 - INSET  
(School closed to pupils)
- 29.11.2017 - Year 4 - Cadbury World
- 01.12.2017 - Year 3 - Black Country  
Museum
- 13.12.2017 - Christmas Lunch
- 13.12.2017 - Upper School Production  
(Details to follow)
- 14.12.2017 - Upper School Production  
(Details to follow)
- 15.12.2017 - EYFS Nativity  
(Details to follow)
- 18.12.2017 - Talent Show/ Christmas  
Party Day
- 19.12.2017 - Christmas Fayre and  
Carols by Torchlight  
(Details to follow)
- 20.12.2017 - 12.30pm Break Up
- 21<sup>st</sup> Dec - 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan 2018 -  
Christmas Holiday

Parent link for ordering school  
uniform online is -

<http://netherbrook.ace-online.co.uk>

## Headteacher's Message

As you know, today we are losing **Mrs Marks** (Miss Simmonds). She is moving on to do her training to become a Paediatric Nurse. Mrs Marks has worked at Netherbrook for over 17 years and she will be sorely missed. We wish her well in her new career and hope that she can stay in touch and come back to visit us sometimes. Mrs Marks will be replaced by Miss Buckley when we return to school after half term.

On Tuesday evening I attended the Tenants and Residents meeting at Saltwells EDC regarding the **MUGA** on the school field. I'm pleased to say that the school and Local Authority have been able to reorganise the Academy land conversion to **NOT include** the games area and that section of the field. The local council have supported this decision, so all being well the MUGA will continue to be a resource that is open to the local community and will be owned and maintained by Dudley Council. It was never the position of the school to take ownership of the MUGA until it was insisted upon by the LA, so this is a very pleasing result for all concerned. It was great to see so many parents and residents in attendance at the meeting.

Thank you to all of you who were able to attend **Parents' Evening** last night, it was lovely to see you all and it was a very positive evening. Hopefully, you also had chance to try our school meals. If you enjoyed the food then please encourage your child to stay for a hot lunch.

Today is the end of the first half term. Pupils should return to school on **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October** at the usual time. Please note that according to our Uniform Policy all pupils should wear the **winter uniform** of formal shirt and tie. This is in place until February half term. Please ensure that your child has the correct school uniform. As it is getting colder please make sure all children have a jumper, warm coat and outdoor PE kit of tracksuit (Black or blue) at all times.

All paperwork is now in place so the school will convert to become an Academy as planned on **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November**. This will be a normal day in school but we will have a special assembly that week to discuss this with the children in more detail.

Have a great Half Term break and we will see you all again on the 30<sup>th</sup>.

## Students of the Week W/c 16th October 2017

- Year 1 - Leo W, Jacob G  
Year 2 - Mamadou B, Oakley E  
Year 3 - Paighton B, Amira K, Ariaah G  
Year 4 - Tyler S, Angel P  
Year 5 - Chelsey K, Chloe B  
Year 6 - Caden J, Kyle M





### Need a Childminder?

Rated Good by OFSTED in 2016  
Full and part time spaces  
Offering School and Nursery Pick  
up and drop off  
Term Time or All Year  
For further information please call  
Michelle on 07866231793

### Food Bank Appeal

Thank you so much for all of  
your kind Harvest Donations  
for our Food Bank Appeal.  
We have gathered 6 full  
crates of food which will all  
be donated to a local food  
bank over half term. Your  
generosity will be gratefully  
received by local families  
that really need it.



### ASTHMA

Can we just remind you that if your child  
has asthma, it is your responsibility to:

- Collect and complete an 'Asthma Care Plan' (available from the office).
- Provide your child with 2 in date inhalers.
- Provide your child with a spacer if applicable.
- Inform us of any changes and ensure that inhalers are replaced when they become out of date.

### Dance Dep0

We have a few spaces available for  
ages 3 - 6 to join our dance group.

Classes run every  
Thursday 5.00pm - 5.45pm

£3.00 per session.

Please contact the school office if  
your child is interested in joining.