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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to spring term 2018 and Happy New Year to you all. I am writing to inform you of the diary dates for this term and to give you some other general information and start of the year reminders. I would like to thank you for all of the lovely cards and gifts we received.

**Start of the school day** - the school gates are opened at 8.45am and both playgrounds are supervised until the bell rings. Please ensure that your children are not left unsupervised on the school premises before this. Registration opens at 8.55am and any child arriving after 9.00am should come through the front door and be registered as late.

**Forms & Letters**- please send in all forms, slips and money to your child's classroom with them and they will be sent to the office. If they contain sums of money that you are not comfortable sending in this way, please post into red post box in reception which will be emptied daily. This will make the busy times of the day in the office easier for parents who need to speak to someone rather than simply hand in things.

**Parking**- I would like to remind everyone that the health and safety of the children is the most important issue. The school car park should not be used by parents dropping children off or collecting at the busy times of the day. The roads around school must also be used with care and respect for the children and residents. Please think about speed and do not park in the yellow areas or across people's drives.

**School uniform**- **PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL UNIFORM AND COATS ARE NAMED.** Please ensure that your children are wearing the correct school uniform. Uniform at St Giles is compulsory and children are expected to be dressed correctly throughout the school year. Items of school uniform can be bought from the Uniform Shop, see website for link. **The wearing of trainers and brightly coloured shoes is not allowed.**

**School Website & Online Payments** - the school website contains all of the information you require, along with links to Online Payment for lunch, breakfast club, after school clubs and school trips. Letters and forms are also on there for you to download.

**After School Clubs**- Club letters were sent out before Christmas with a view to clubs starting next week. We have tried to increase the variety of clubs we offer and there will be a fixed cost of £3 per club to cover all staffing and resources. Please book in to avoid disappointment.

**DEAR**- our Drop Everything and Read sessions will start again on Monday from 3pm, we look forward to seeing you all. Reception classes DEAR runs on Thursday and will also start next week.

**Staffing**- we are very sad to say goodbye to Mr Brown who will be leaving us at the end of next week to take up a new post with Shrewsbury Town Football Club in the Community. We welcome Mrs Emma Cliffe who will be completing her training through the Forces to Teachers Programme in Year 1/2 classes.





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**Diary Dates for this term** - further dates will be sent on newsletters

3rd January	Term starts
15 <sup>th</sup> January 1.30pm	Curriculum & Standards Committee
1 <sup>st</sup> February 2pm	Safer School Committee
2 <sup>nd</sup> February 9.30am	Robin Hood Theatre group
2 <sup>nd</sup> February 9.15am	Health & Safety Committee
8 <sup>th</sup> February 9.30pm	Finance & Personnel Committee
15 <sup>th</sup> February 3.30-7.30pm	Parents Evening
16 <sup>th</sup> February	Break Up
19 <sup>th</sup> -23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Half term
26 <sup>th</sup> February	School re-opens
27 <sup>th</sup> February am	Governor Morning
1 <sup>st</sup> March 3.30-5.30pm	Parents Evening
5 <sup>th</sup> March-9.15am	Performance Management Committee
8 <sup>th</sup> March 6.30pm	Full Governors Meeting
21 <sup>st</sup> March 9.15-12.00	Singing Festival Y1/2
22 <sup>nd</sup> March 6.00pm	LKS2 production
26 <sup>th</sup> March 2.00pm	LKS2 production
29 <sup>th</sup> March 9.45am	Whole School Church service (TBC)
29 <sup>th</sup> March	End of Term
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	School re-opens

Thank you to all of you who have been supporting our children with hearing readers, it has made a great difference and I hope this can continue this term.

I look forward to seeing you all throughout the term.

Yours sincerely,

**Caroline Gardner**  
Head Teacher

