**Parents Evening**

Thankyou to all the parents who attended Parents Evening this week or who have made alternative appointments. If you were unable to attend, we will be sending home some important information for you to check and sign so please watch out for that coming home.

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**Academy update**

Our academy application has now been agreed by the DfE so we are on track to convert soon. We are aiming for 1st December but that depends on all the legalities being completed in time. We will keep you informed of progress.

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**E-Safety**

Just a reminder that there are some useful parent guides on our website about social media and other internet sites and how to keep your child safe when using them. If you have any worries about your child’s use of the internet, please let us know and we will be able to advise. Remember that if your child has a tablet computer they can easily access sites that will upset or frighten them so keep a close eye on what they are accessing. We have also had a number of cases of children telling us about films they have watched that have an 18 certificate which is very concerning.

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**Playground developments**

You will have seen the new play area being installed at the front of school for the KS2 children; we just need the fencing to be completed now so the children can access it from the playground. Work has also started on the development of the Children’s Centre outdoor area, which will provide seating outside the café and play equipment suitable for babies and toddlers. This development has been funded by Better Start as part of the improvements to the Mereside outdoor environment.

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**Important dates for your diary**

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| Tuesday 8th November | Return to school; fluoridated milk scheme begins for all unless previously opted out |
| Football quarter final match vs Roseacre |
| Thursday 10th November at 3:30 | PTFA meeting – all welcome |
| Friday 11th November | Class photos |
| w/b 14th November | Anti-Bullying Week |
| Tues 15th November | Y5 and 6 visit to St. George’s |
| Wed 16th November | Nursery and Reception Open Day |
| Friday 18th November | Children in Need Day |
| Friday 2nd December | Spellbinder for Y1 to Y6 |
| Tuesday 6th December | Christmas Dinner |
| Wed 7th Dec (am) and Thurs 8th Dec (pm) | Nursery and Reception Christmas Concert |
| Friday 9th December | Christmas Fair |
| Tuesday 14th December (pm) | KS2 Concert |
| Wed 14th (am) and Thu 15th Dec (pm) | KS1 Concert |
| Fri 16th Dec | Christmas Jumper Day |
| w/b 19th December | Christmas Parties |
| Thursday 22nd December | School closes for Christmas |

**Children's Centre activities for half term**

Saturday 29th October

**Dads & Families Group**, 10.00am- 12 noon

**Spooky crafts** for all the family
Fancy Dress optional

Bacon butties & games!! For children under five and their siblings

Booking essential phone the centre on 01253-839739

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Monday 31st October

At the Little Marton Windmill

10.30—11.30 am or 2.00pm—3.00pm

**Pumpkin decorating and pumpkin soup** for all.

Booking Essential

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Tuesday 1st November
**Baby Club**1.00pm—2.30pm

Siblings welcome in the holidays

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 Friday 4th November

10.00am—11.30am

All ages welcome

**Family Firework Fun** (Bonfire themed activities)
in the Children’s Centre Cafe

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**After half term**

New course: in Music, Rhythm and Exercise starting 10th November 2.15pm to 3pm. Booking essential

Winning Ways Positive Parenting course starts 8th November 9.30am-11.30am Crèche provided- booking essential