



St Ippolyts CE (Aided) Primary School

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NEWSLETTER



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Issue 2: Thursday 14th September 2023



Reception



We are a full house
once again!

All our reception children are now in school and are settling into Class 1 brilliantly. They have all met their Year 6 buddies and on Fridays throughout the year they will enjoy 'Buddy Lunch' together.

Coffee morning tomorrow

A reminder that tomorrow morning is the Class 1 parents' coffee morning in the hall. This is a lovely opportunity to chat informally with the Class 1 staff and get to know other parents and families. Younger siblings are very welcome to come along too.

Curriculum evening

Mrs McCabe and Mrs Holmes will be holding our annual Class 1 Curriculum Information evening on **Thursday 21st September** at 6pm in the main hall.



Harvest FESTIVAL

On **Friday 29th September**, children and staff will be going to church for this year's Harvest Festival.

On this day we ask that children bring a contribution from the list to help support local families through the Hitchin foodbank, Rev Ginni's Parish Pantry and North Herts Sanctuary. Your donations will be very gratefully received, especially with the current cost of living crisis and the winter months approaching which could be difficult for many.

We are also supporting **The Bishop of St Albans Harvest Appeal**, 'Cracking Food Poverty Together'. We have sent a leaflet home about the appeal, and we will be collecting monetary donations towards this at our harvest festival. You could send a food donation, a monetary donation in an envelope, or a combination of both if you feel able to.

The list is not exhaustive but gives you some ideas of what to donate. Please make sure any donations are unopened and in date.

Thank you so much in advance for your generosity.

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The Bishop of St Albans'
Harvest Appeal 2023

Cracking
Food Poverty
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Scan to make
a donation



Most needed donations

- Cereals
- Porridge oats sachets
- Crackers
- Microwavable pasta meals
- Tinned tomatoes/ pasta sauce
- Lentils, beans and pulses
- Tinned meat – for example curry, hot dog sausages, stew, fry bents pies etc
- Tinned soup
- Baked beans
- Tea/coffee
- Tinned fruit
- Biscuits
- UHT milk
- Long life Fruit juice or squash



Young Worship

This year's Young Worship group have made a fantastic start to the year and have some busy times ahead.

They have some great ideas for leading worship in school and have already started thinking about the Harvest Festival. I know they are going to do a fantastic job!





Arbor

Please remember to inform us if any of your child's details or your emergency contact details have changed. This can be done via your Arbor App. If you are having difficulty in accessing the Arbor App, please email the office – admin@stipps.herts.sch.uk and we will do our best to assist you. Thank you.

Sickness and illness reminder

Sickness and diarrhoea: Children need to stay off school for **48 hours** after the last episode of vomiting or diarrhoea to avoid the spread of tummy bugs. Thank you.

Y6 Parents: A date for your diary

On **Wednesday 18th October at 6pm**, Miss Walker will be holding an information evening for Y6 parents and children about the 2024 Key Stage 2 assessments (SATs). You will be able to find out all about what the tests entail, look at past papers and find out how best you can support your child with their learning over the coming months.

Open Session – save the date!

Monday 9th October 3.30-5.30pm

For those parents and families new to the school, Open Session is when you are invited to come with your child to visit their classroom after school, meet the teacher, see your child's books and ask any questions you may have. It is an informal afternoon; you do not need an appointment and can 'drop-in' any time during the session and stay as long as you want. It isn't a one-to-one discussion with the teacher about your child's progress – these take place in Parent Consultation appointments later in the term.

Classes 3, 5, and 6: Use the Class 5/6 doors

Classes 1, 2 and 4: Use the main entrance

Please be aware that buggies and prams cannot be brought into the building.

We do hope you can come along and that you will enjoy seeing your child's new classroom, their books and teacher.

Please don't suffer in silence...

We know that many families are facing financial struggles as the cost-of-living crisis continues. If you need help, please reach out and talk to Mrs Peddie as we can often access support for food, uniform etc. Your situation will be treated in the strictest of confidence and you don't have to be eligible for free school meals or benefits to need help. Please don't suffer in silence. Email Mrs Peddie directly on head@stipps.herts.sch.uk