

Gateway Christian School

Newsletter

September 2009

**“How great are his signs, how mighty his wonders,
His kingdom is an eternal kingdom;
His dominion endures from generation to generation”**

Daniel 4:3

Dear parents,

I am delighted to welcome you all back to school after what was for many a rather wet summer. Typical that the sun should shine on our first day back!

As most of you will already be aware we welcome Mrs Leaf to our school team-she will be teaching the Infants, and we welcome back Mrs Walters will be teaching the Juniors alongside me. We have been doing quite a lot of work over the holidays and have reviewed the Maths Curriculum, as well as the delivery of English. Science and Geography have been combined into Learning about God’s World and new subjects have been introduced, including German and Bible Studies. The Infant classroom has undergone a transformation, both inside and out! The timing of the school day has changed slightly as well. The children go for lunch slightly later so that we can fit three lessons into the morning when the children learn most effectively. It is all very exciting!

We celebrated our 20th Anniversary on September 7th and will be inviting all past pupils and staff to an anniversary celebration on October 10th, and of course the children will be working hard for the Harvest Service in October.

Dates for your Diary	
Mon 14 th Sept	Library Bus
Mon 28 th Sept	Library Bus
Sat 3 rd Oct	7pm Harvest Supper, Old School, Stanton-by-Dale
Sun 4 th Oct	10:45am, Stanton Church Harvest Family Service
Sun 4 th Oct	6:30pm, ‘The Year in Pictures’ – Stanton Church
Wed 7 th Oct	9.30am School Harvest Service
Sat 10th Oct	2pm- 4.30pm 20th Anniversary Open Day
Mon 12 th Oct	Library Bus
Mon 19 th and Tue 20 th Oct	Parents’ Evenings
Fri 23 rd Oct	Football Training
Fri 23 rd Oct	Break up for Half Term
Mon 2 nd Nov	Nursery Department return with provision for reception children
Sat 7 th Nov	Bonfire and Fireworks, Rectory field, Light-up 6.30pm
Mon 9 th Nov	Primary department return to school

Please join with us in praying for a wonderful term for everyone in the school.



Mrs C Fergus
Head Teacher.

SEE AND KNOW

See and Know meets each Wednesday morning between 10am and 12pm, during term time, at the Old School Christian Centre. We have a happy time with new mothers and babies joining us regularly.

On **Wednesday 7th October** we shall be joining the Gateway Christian School for their Harvest Service and on **Wednesday 9th December** for their Christmas Service

Kathleen Gooding Supervisor

HOMEWORK TIMETABLE

Type	Day Set	Day Tested
Memory verse	Tuesday	Following Monday
Homework	Thursday	Following Tuesday
Spellings	Wednesday	Following Wednesday

Many thanks to those who have been collecting Tesco and Sainsbury vouchers for us. Please keep them coming!

NURSERY NEWS

Nursery wishes to welcome Lily, Jack, Josh, Suzannah and their families as they start the new school year with us.

We are having much fun remembering all the lovely things that we did over the Summer as we explore 'Holiday colours'. The home corner is a feat of civil engineering, do come and see! If there is anyone who can make the light revolve and flash on our lighthouse please ring Nursery immediately!! The children are busy building tents and camping outside. There is also the 'Gateway hide', perfect for a little bird spotting. The garden is a very busy place in this lovely late summer weather. We are already looking forward to a couple of outings to help us explore Autumn colours. A local ploughing match and a visit to a 'proper' hide will help the children's play to be realistic.

Inside we fill our assembly room with dance and praise. In the classroom, the children have a greater freedom to choose their own activities with Staff on hand to ensure that they get the most from them. Nottingham City may have had a beach in the Old Market Square, but the Nursery Team is equal to the challenge and created one in the classroom! We are sharing our memories of our holidays and putting up our holiday pictures. We have been looking at how we travelled and creating simple charts.

It is a joy to watch these young ones learn about themselves and each other and the wonderful world created by their heavenly Father.

Charlotte Holwell