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Dear Parents and Carers

Family Ceilidh and Harvest Supper: 8th October

Don't forget that St Mary's Church is running a Family Ceilidh and Harvest Supper to support our hall fundraising. Tickets are priced at £9 for adults, £4.50 for children (under 14) and £25 for a family group; this includes an evening's entertainment and supper (and there is also a licensed bar). Tickets can still be bought from the school or by calling (01948) 861080. The event will take place at Tilston War Memorial Hall and will run from 7.00 until 10.30 pm.

Parent Committee: Tilston School Needs YOU!

We now have five parents who have volunteered to represent their child's class at our Parent Committee meetings. Unfortunately, there are no parents volunteering to represent our Year 5/6 group which is a great shame. If your child is in our upper junior class, I would love to hear from you. It's very important to get a balanced mix of parents; dads are just as welcome to take part as mums. I look forward to hearing from you; I'm only a phone call or email away: head@tilston.cheshire.sch.uk Thank you!

Parents' Evenings: 19th and 20th October

We will be running our autumn term Parents' Evenings before the half term break. The meetings provide a good opportunity for you to come into school to discuss your child's progress so far this term and to find out ways in which you can support him/her at home. We will be running appointments on **19th** and **20th October** from **3.30 pm** until **6.30 pm**. Please indicate your preferred time on the slip at the end of this newsletter and return it to your child's class teacher. If your child is in our **Y3/4** class and you would like to see both Mrs Callister **and** Mrs Davidson, please select an appointment time for the **Wednesday** evening. If your child is in our **Y5/6** class and you would like to see both Mrs Corlett **and** Miss Fenner, please select an appointment time for the **Thursday** evening.

Online Payment

The school's online payment system has now been set up to allow parents to pay for school visits, Early Starters and After School Club as well as school lunches. If you require any support with online payment, please speak to Mrs Farmer who will be happy to help.

Spellodrome

One or two parents have spoken to us about accessing the Spellodrome website that the school is now using. It's worth mentioning that there is no app for Spellodrome; the resources cannot be accessed via the Mathletics app.



Instead, children need to **sign in** at <http://uk.spellodrome.com> using their Mathletics log in details. Once signed in, they can earn awards with 'My Word List' and 'My Word List Games'. Class teachers will be able to see the

points earned by the children, time spent on the site and areas that need a little more work. You can register for a weekly parent report to see how your child is doing with Spellodrome and Mathletics. To activate your free access to the Parent Console visit www.mathletics.com/parent

Personal Development

This week, we have been looking for children who **understand others**. For our younger children, this may include showing an awareness of who is talking and beginning to listen to other people's point of view. As we move through the school, our older pupils are working towards listening first to others before trying to be understood and changing their behaviours to suit different situations. Well done to the following children who have excelled this week:

★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★

YR	Izaak: for always being thoughtful to others
Y1	Evie: for working well alongside all members of the class
Y2	Grace: for encouraging others within class
Y3	Matilda: for being especially caring to a new child and helping her to settle in
Y4	Teddy: for being helpful and caring to others
Y5	Mya: for listening to and supporting others
Y6	Alex: for being kind and caring towards others

Tilston School Association AGM: 12th October

The Tilston School Association's annual general meeting will take place on **Wednesday** next week at **7.00 pm**. There are a number of vacancies to be filled, including the role of vice chair, and it would be great to see some new parents getting involved. Please do come along to hear what the TSA has been up to in the last twelve months and to find out how you can get more involved.

Tilston School Cook Book

Sam Andrews and Carla Wallace-Clark are busy putting together the Tilston School Cook Book and would like some illustrations from the children. A template was sent home this week and it would be great if it could be returned with a picture of your child's favourite tea time meal. Any additional recipes would also be very welcome. Please email these to Tilstonschoolcookbook@yahoo.co.uk and return your child's drawings to his/her class teacher by the end of next week. Thank you.

World War 1 Exhibition

Mrs Corlett has asked me to bring an exhibition to the attention of our Year 5/6 children and their families. The 'Fighting on All Fronts' exhibition is running at the Wrexham County Borough Museum where visitors can explore the eventful history of the Royal Welch Fusiliers and the regiment's links to Wrexham. This free exhibition will provide useful information linked to the children's current history topic. Further details can be found at www.wrexham.gov.uk/heritage

Lunch Menu for week beginning 10th October 2016	
Monday	Pasta with tomato & herb sauce or jacket potato with cheese and beans
Tuesday	Steak pie with veg or jacket potato with cheese and beans or tuna mayo
Wednesday	Roast dinner
Thursday	Chicken curry with rice & naan bread or jacket potato with cheese and beans
Friday	Fish and chips or pizza

Lakes in a Day

Two of our parents are attempting to complete a superhuman feat this weekend by taking part in the [Lakes in a Day Ultra Run](#). Barry Williams (dad of Evie and Molly) and Simon Richardson (dad of Fraser and Georgie) will be participating in this **50 mile** run which includes an ascent of **4000m!** The run starts at Caldbeck and finishes at Cartmel taking in the peaks of Blencathra (868 m), Clough Head (726 m) and Helvellyn (949m) before travelling along the length of Lake Windermere. Both men are raising money for our school hall fund and have already gathered together some sponsorship from friends and family members. If anyone else would like to sponsor '[The Clueless Two](#)' please catch up with Becky Williams or Mary Richardson. Donations can also be made via Simon's [Just Giving](#) page. On behalf of the school community, I'd like to thank both Barry and Simon for supporting the school in this way. We all wish them both the very best of luck this weekend!

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/simon-richardson>

Yours sincerely

Richard Harley

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Parents' Evenings Reply Slip			
Name of child/ren:		Year group/s:	
✓ Please tick your preferred slots			
Wednesday 19th October 2016	✓	Thursday 20th October 2016	✓
3.30 – 4.30 pm		3.30 – 4.30 pm	
4.30 – 5.30 pm		4.30 – 5.30 pm	
5.30 – 6.30 pm		5.30 – 6.30 pm	