

# Newsletter September 2021



## Welcome back!

We hope you have all had a lovely holiday and are excited for the new school year.

## School start and finish times

Please remember **school starts at 8.50am**. Please be prompt. All children will enter school through the side gate which opens at 8.40am and closes at 8.50am. Children will be met at the gate by staff members. Late arrivals will now need to bring their child in to the reception area and sign them in as late.

Reception children finish at 3pm, the rest of the school finishes at 3.10pm.

## Breakfast Club

Children attending breakfast club will enter school through the side gate from 8am to 8.15am. An adult will need to walk them round to the rear doors please, sign them in on the register and hand them over to a member of staff.

## Uniform

All parents have had an email about school uniform. Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform when they return to school. Please remember no shoes with heels for girls and skirts need to be knee length.

## PE Kit

At the moment we will continue with children coming to school in their PE kit on the days they have PE. Please ensure they are wearing their trainers along with their school PE kit. If you wish, they can bring a different hoodie/sweatshirt to change in to for PE but they must come to school in their school sweatshirt/cardigan. We can find them one from lost property if they forget. We will let you know on Friday when your child needs to come in their PE kit.

## Warm weather

Please apply suntan lotion before children come to school in the morning. If you feel they will need it reapplying during the school day please teach your child how to do this and send in a named bottle to be kept in class. Unfortunately, staff are unable to apply it. Children also need a named sun hat to wear at playtime and during PE when it is hot.

## Water bottles

Each child will be provided with a named water bottle on their first day back. They will come home with your child each night to be washed and brought back the next day.

## Earrings

These cannot be worn for swimming or PE and staff are not allowed to remove them or apply/remove tape. Please ensure that if your child has their ears pierced they can remove their own earrings, or they are taken out before they come to school.

## Swimming

Class L will be going swimming again from Friday 10<sup>th</sup> September. Permission forms and payment details will be on Parentmail this week. We hope to go swimming for the whole year.

## Covid

You may be aware the isolation requirements for anyone who has been in close contact with someone who has tested positive to Covid19, have changed. Children under 18 and adults who have been fully

vaccinated no longer need to isolate. However, they do need to take an official PCR test. A home Lateral Flow Test is not sufficient. We will send more information on school and Covid-19 shortly.

### Attendance

Please be aware normal school attendance came into effect from 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021. This includes holidays. Any requests for time off school needs to be communicated directly with the school office please, in advance, by completing a 'Pupil leave of absence form'. ALL absences affect pupil attendance. Children travelling overseas must follow quarantine/isolation/testing requirements on their return.

We appreciate it is still difficult trying to get doctor/dentist and hospital appointments outside of school hours. Where possible we would appreciate it if parents made appointments towards the end of the school day if necessary. Thank you for your co-operation.

## Diary Dates

### Term dates 2021/2022

**Term 1**  
**Monday** 06th September 2021  
**To**  
**Thursday** 21st October 2021

**Term 2**  
**Monday** 1st November 2021  
**To**  
**Friday** 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Bank Holidays:-  
Monday 27<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> December 2021  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2022

**Term 3**  
**Tuesday** 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022  
**To**  
**Friday** 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022

**Term 4**  
**Monday** 21st February 2022  
**To**  
**Thursday** 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022

Bank Holidays:-  
Friday 15th April & Monday 18th April 2022

**Term 5**  
**Tuesday** 19th April 2022  
**To**  
**Friday** 27th May 2022

Bank Holidays:-  
Monday 2nd & Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2022

**Term 6**  
**Monday** 6th June 2022  
**To**  
**Friday** 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022

**Term dates for 2021/2022 are on the school website**

A paper copy is available from the office if you wish