

"Believe in yourself...Learn together...Persevere...Succeed"

Newsletter Week Ending 22 September 2017

CHANGES TO THE START OF THE SCHOOL DAY

From Monday 25th September we will be making changes to the start of the school day.

The children will be able to come into their classrooms from **8.45am** to ensure that they are ready to start learning from **8.55am**. The doors will be open from **8.45am** and teachers will be ready in their classrooms to meet the children and get them ready for the start of the school day. At **8.55am** the bell will ring and the doors will then be closed. From this time, children will be late for school and so will need to enter via the school office. The school gates will be locked at **9am** so you will need to ensure that you have left the school site so that you are not locked in! Once you have dropped your child off, please leave the school site as soon as possible.

This decision has been made so that punctuality of the children can be improved as currently there are a high number of children arriving late to school. This means they are losing time out of learning, which over the academic year, can impact significantly.

If you need to see a class teacher to discuss anything about your child, please arrange a time with them around these times so that they can be with the children.

For safeguarding reasons, Reception children need to be dropped off at the classroom door where they will be met by their teacher rather than parents coming into the classroom.

Thank you for your support.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

We would like to let you know that we are very proud of the Reception children who have been staying for school lunch and have tried really hard to follow the systems within the dining hall. They are trying to use their cutlery correctly and are clearing away after themselves even though they are still very young.

Year Six children are considering whether to apply for the role of Head boy or Head girl – a new role whereby the children will be elected and become ambassadors of the school.

We would like to remind you of the importance of reading at home with your children as it remains a focus for the school. It is important to inspire children to want to read more and to read a wider range of types of books.

Finally - a reminder that we want to do our bit for the environment and reduce the amount of paper we use. These newsletters will only be available On-line from after half term, or in the Playground notice boards. If you haven't yet done so, please let the office know your email address.

PARENT/TEACHER COMMUNICATION

If you have a concern about your child in school please talk to your child's teacher or come to the office to arrange to see either Mrs Knight or Mrs Ballantyne rather than discussing your concerns with other parents. It is important for us to address your individual issues rather than they be discussed with other parents verbally or through 'group chats'.

Year group leaders are also available and are as follows:

Miss Taylor- Nursery Mrs Bansal - Year 2 Mr Logan - Year 5 Miss Din - Reception Miss Rafiq - Year 3 Mrs Rogers - Year 6

Mrs Rohim - Year 1 Mrs Bamrah - Year 4

FIRE ALARM

If the fire alarm sounds at the end of the school day, could we ask parents to collect their children and leave the school site as soon as possible. Please allow teachers to bring the classes out of the building. Do not enter the building or send children back in to collect their belongings. Thank you.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

We would be delighted if you could join us for our Macmillan Coffee Morning on Tuesday 3rd October 9-10am. We will be enjoying cakes, tea and coffee whilst fundraising for charity. Macmillan is a charity that supports people with cancer, helping to provide funding for nurses and give advice to patients. We would welcome cake donations on Monday 2nd October, or before school on Tuesday 3rd October in the tech room, the entrance is in the Junior Playground.

Hope to see you there!

LOST PROPERTY

Could you please remember to label your child's clothing and belongings with their name and class. We already have a large amount of lost property that is not labelled, so please check if you are missing something as these items will be disposed of at the end of each month.



We would appreciate it if you could keep the lost property area tidy while you are looking for missing items.

SAFEGUARDING AND PROTECTING YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN ONLINE

The internet is amazing and allows us access to a range of learning, but please remember that you need to ensure that your child/children are safe when they are online. You should be monitoring your child's internet use so that you are aware of what games, apps and websites they are accessing. We encourage you to ensure that your child uses their devices in a communal area like the lounge or kitchen so you can keep an eye on how they're using the internet. It is your responsibility as a parent/carer to ensure they are safe when online.

WOW CARDS—NURSERY & RECEPTION

We are pleased to introduce 'Wow Cards' to you and your child. Wow Cards are used to reward children for achievements that are special to them. We will share them with everyone as they will be displayed on the wall and we will also give children the opportunity to talk about their 'Wow Moments' to the class.

Wow cards are a great way to encourage your child to continue trying to achieve their goals or try new things at home. If you are unsure about what to write, please look at the displays in the classroom or speak to your child's class teacher. Please complete them for your child as they can boost their confidence and they really do enjoy receiving them.



ATTENDANCE

The whole school attendance for last week was:

96.49%

Class Attendance

Foundation & KS1

The classes with the best attendance last week were:

1Q - 100%

KS2

5M - 99.33%



Keep Up The Good Work!