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14th July 2022 Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers,

We have decided to share our weekly newsletter a day earlier than usual just so that parents had plenty of notice for the last few events of the school year.

We hope that all of our parents enjoyed reading your child's report last week. Our reports, this academic year, focused mainly on reading, writing, Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar as staff are encouraged to upload evidence of foundation subjects such as: Science, Art etc to Tapestry throughout the year to demonstrate that children are working towards expected standard in these subjects. We are very proud of our children and their achievements and have received some very kind comments regarding the support that children have received from staff.

Thank you to those parents who took the opportunity to come and speak to staff about their child/ren's progress and see work that children had produced over the course of this year.

We would also like to remind parents if you have a query/concern or something to discuss then it is important that this is resolved as soon as possible rather than waiting to Parents' Evening. If necessary, an appointment can be arranged by contacting the school office to address any queries or concerns.

It has been wonderful to welcome parents and carers back to school this term. Staff are looking at events for next academic year to keep the momentum going!

Arrival and dismissal times from September 2022 (shared on 1st July newsletter)

Class	Entrance point	Entrance time	Dismissal time
Nursery (am)	Entrance via the Early Years' Garden ramp	8.30am (register closes at 8.35am)	11.30am
Nursery (pm)		12.00pm	3.00pm
Nursery (30 hours)		8.30am	3.00pm
Reception	Entrance through Reception door	Those families with siblings, in Nursery, at 8.30am	3pm via the school playground.
Year 1	Year 1 and Year 2 door.		
Year 2	Through playground and to school via white hall doors.	Those families with siblings- in Reception to Year 6 at 8.35am.	
Year 3			
Year 4			
Year 5			
Year 6	Individual children with no siblings at 8.40am.		
		Registers will close for Reception to Year 6 promptly at 8.50am	

Staffing for classes September 2022

The teachers for our next year's classes are:

Nursery- Nicola, Giovanna (Hazel will support Nursery and Reception classes)

Reception- Lauren and Karen

Year 1- Laura and Jacqueline

Year 2- Fiona, Emma and Andrea (while Hayley is on maternity leave)

Year 3- Charlotte, William and Joanna

Year 4- Holly, Carly, Lindsay and Rachel (while Ashleigh is on maternity leave)

Year 5- Jillian and Jan

Year 6- Sally and Jo

Children have enjoyed their Moving Up sessions and will have one more session on Tuesday 19th July 2022 from 9.30-11.30am.

Year 6 Assembly

We would ask that parents arrive from 1.05pm (via pupil entrance) tomorrow if they are coming to the Year 6 Assembly. There is limited space in the hall and Year 6 children and any siblings can leave after the assembly. Parents will be asked to wait outside while children are being dismissed.

Allensford visit- Year 4,5 and 6 visit

We will be taking children to Allensford for our annual visit. While we are there, children will play games, play in water and can visit the shop. We will stay at Allensford all day but will be back to school for home time.

We will walk there and back along the heritage trail. Children should come to school dressed for this (non- uniform) wearing comfortable shoes.

Children need the following things that they will carry themselves:

- ✓ Backpack
- ✓ Full change of clothes (socks, trousers, t shirt, underwear)
- ✓ Towel
- ✓ Sun cream/ hat
- ✓ Water bottle
- ✓ No more than £5.00 to spend in the shop (only if you wish your child to do this)
- ✓ Some children like to wear swimming costume/ shorts under their clothing.
- ✓ SPARE Shoes that can get wet

Children will be no doubt getting wet and dirty so don't send children in their best clothes! Once they have done the water activities they will change into dry clothes for the walk home.

We will be going on **Monday 18th July** and children have class challenges to earn money to go. As always children with poor behaviour may risk not being able to come so we are expecting children to have worked hard in these last few weeks to earn their privilege to take part. Any poor behaviour shown at Allensford would result in that child returning to school early. In the event of very poor weather we will make a plan on the day so that children still receive a reward but maybe in a drier environment... pray for sunshine everyone!

If children normally have a packed lunch they should bring one that day. All children who have school dinners are having a very special lunch prepared and delivered to Allensford from the school kitchen!

All children will know when they leave school on Friday if they have enough money to take part and so they will be able to tell you if they need to bring a change of clothes on Monday.

Thanks

Year 4,5 and 6 staff

School dinners

We will have no coloured band system operating the last two days of term and the first two days of the new term whilst changes are made to move to the new catering company. Most of the same choices will be available for the days with some additional food choices too. We thought that it was important to keep parents informed.

Teachers2Parents- text messaging service

Please remember that Teachers2Parents will cease from Wednesday 20th July and all messages will be sent via Tapestry. If you are struggling to access Tapestry, please speak to a member of staff before the end of term.

Art Competition Winners- Let's Talk About Relationships Project

Well done to Annia T and Jordyn R who were worthy winners in the Let's Talk About Relationships Project competition and received a £25 voucher in assembly today!

Enterprise Day- Tuesday 19th July

Key Stage 2 children have been invited to take part in an Enterprise Day. Some children have chosen to sell some of their own creations and items will cost between 10p and 50p. All other children will get a chance to buy some of the creations on offer during the school day. We would ask that children, who want to buy any items, bring a small amount of change in a labelled purse/wallet.

Book bags

Our red book bags will be compulsory for all children (including Nursery) from September. We ask for book bags because these can be easily stored and is the best way to transport reading books and any work completed by your child/ren. These can be ordered <https://totstoteams.com/schools/the-grove-primary-school>

We have updated our reading scheme for Key Stage 2 and children from Reception to Year 6 will bring a reading book to and from school so it would be great if they could be transported from and to home in book bags.

PD Days 2022-23

Children will return to school on Monday 5th September 2022. The following days are Professional Development days for staff and school will be closed on the following dates: **Friday 21st October 2022, Monday 5th December 2022, Monday 27th February 2023 and Monday 5th June 2023. Friday 28th April will not be a PD day as previously advertised.**

Some of these dates have been added to half term holidays so that families can take advantage of hopefully having a cheaper holiday which will mean fewer families requesting a Leave of Absence.

After School Club/Breakfast Club

Our After School Club will operate Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th July until 4.30pm. There will be no After School Club on Wednesday 20th July.

Breakfast and After School Club will return on Monday 5th September 2022 when the school opens after the summer holidays. The form for After School Club will be sent out on Friday 2nd September 2022.