Newsletter

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Tweet of the Week

'Today we hear the voice of creation admonishing us to return to our rightful place in the natural created order – to remember that we are part of this interconnected web of life, not its masters. #SeasonOfCreation

Pope Francis (@Pontifex)





Welcome to this week's newsletter.

Welcome to our 1st newsletter for this academic year. We welcome all our children back into school and extend a special welcome to our reception class children. Mrs Berry

Drop off and Collection:

Please could all parents and carers do their best to socially distance from one another at school drop off and collection. Please make sure they you are your child are waiting in the correct zones for your class. Zone A, Zone B and Zone C are all clearly set up.

Also if you are driving to school please be considerate and vacate your parking space as quickly as possible to enable more parents to park and drop their child at school. Thank you

Music Tuition:

We believe that the music tuition will begin week commencing 07th September. The lessons will take place in the outdoor classroom with social distancing.

Violins: Tuesday Brass: Wednesday Woodwind: Thursday

School Meals KS2:

A reminder to parents that school dinners are £2.35 for Key Stage 2 parents (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6) and should be paid for in advance via parentmail.

School Meals Allegan & Intolerance:

If your child is going to have school meals and has either an allergy or an intolerance then you will need to complete the attached form and send it into school with your child by Friday 11th September 2020.

Reminder:

We have heard from a resident that some of our parents and children were waiting on his driveway and leaning against his garage door, whilst they were waiting for the school to open. There is an added chance of an accident regarding this particular garage as its an electric garage door that the resident operates from inside the garage and he is unable to see if anyone is standing close to it and so they could easily be hit with the opening door.

Please can we remind you all not to trespass on any property. There is plenty of space for you to wait in the zones marked at school safely.

Orchestra:

As we are unable to teach mixed classes there will be no Orchestra this half term.

Please could the children bring their musical Instruments into school on the following days:

Year 6: Thursday Year 5: Wednesday Year 4: Tuesday Year 3: Wednesday



School Clubs:

There are still spaces available for the following clubs:

Wednesday 8am – Year 5 Sports Club

Wednesday 3.15pm – Year 5 Netball (23rd Sept every 2 weeks)

Wednesday 3.15pm – Year 6 Netball (30th Sept every 2 weeks)

Wednesday 3.15pm – Year 3 Sports Club

Thursday 8am - Year 4 Sports Club

Friday 3.15pm - Year 6 Sports Club



<u>Lunch boxes:</u> Due to allergies please do not include any nut items in lunch boxes, including Chocolate/Nutella spread sandwiches.

Please ensure that your child does not bring sweets to school in their lunchboxes. Thank you.

Please also ensure your child brings a named water bottle to school every day. Thank you for your cooperation.

PTA Update: Second Hand Uniform;

The PTA are devising a new system to donate and purchase second hand uniform and the details for this will follow in next week's newsletter along with an up to date list of uniform available to purchase.

In the meantime, please <u>do not</u> try to contact Mrs Lavender as she will be unable to help you purchase second hand uniform.

Dates for your Diary

Term dates for 2020/21

Autumn Term 2020

Thursday 3rd September – Friday 18th December

Half term: 26th – 30th October

Staff Training Days: 1st & 2nd September

Spring Term 2021

Tuesday 5th January – Friday 26th March

Half term: $15^{th} - 19^{th}$ February Staff Training day: 4^{th} January

Summer Term 2021

Monday 12th April – Friday 16th July

Bank holiday: 3rd May

Half term: 31st May – 4th June

Staff Training days: 19th & 20th July (disaggregated)