

# GRASSMOOR PRIMARY SCHOOL



Monday 20th September 2021

NEWSLETTER

## Uniform Price Increases

Our suppliers have increased the prices of the school book bags /PE bags and PE kits and fleeces. We have looked at other schools & Suppliers and even with the price increase this is still good value for money. The price change is effective from the 1st October 2021 and will be amended on parentpay.

The Bookbags will be £4

PE Bags will be £4.20

PE Kits will be £9.00

Fleeces will be £13.50

## Admission arrangements for the academic year 2022/23

Dates for applying for a Reception place are 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021 until 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Dates for applying for a secondary school place are from 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021 until 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021

<https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/education/schools/school-places/apply-for-a-school-place.aspx>

## Attendance

Please fill in a holiday request or an exceptional circumstance form if your child is taking ANY leave from school. Any absences that are not explained either before or on the day of absence by 10am will be marked as unauthorised leave and may incur a fine. Thank you.

## School Parliament Year 1 upwards

The elections will take place this week and badges will be given out in our Friday praise assembly on 24<sup>th</sup> September.

## Year 4 & 5 Residentials

If you haven't already, can you please ensure that you pay the deposit and give permission via parent pay for our residentials this term. We would really like all children to come if possible, so if you are having any financial difficulties, please let us know and we will do whatever we can to help. If the child does not want to go for any reason, then they will be educated in another class while the rest of the class are away.

## Free breakfasts

Unfortunately giving out cereals and bagels has now ended. However we will have plain bagels (untoasted) on entry to school for every child if they would like one. Portion sizes are  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a bagel for under EYFS/KS1 and  $\frac{1}{2}$  bagel for KS2. We understand that a plain bagel isn't very appetising, but it is all that we were allowed to offer due to health and safety reasons in classrooms. If your child doesn't like plain bagels, then we suggest that they continue to have breakfast at home (hopefully you still have stockpiles from last term!!).

## Coming in to school

Parents are not to enter school without a prior appointment. Please either dojo your teacher for an appointment or phone the office. There will be staff outside each morning and after school should you wish to speak to someone in person too.

## Water bottles and fleeces

We now have water bottles for sale at £2 each. Our fleeces are also for sale and we have plenty of stock of all sizes. £13.50 each. Please order and pay on parentpay - thank you.

## Morrisons free gardening equipment for schools

Morrisons are giving out 1 token for every £10 spend. You just register at mymorrisons.com or download the app.

## Art Therapy at the Hub Hangout Wednesdays 4pm till 6pm

If your child would like to receive art therapy with Louise at the Hub please phone or email to book a place. 01246 859210 or [info@p4yp.org.uk](mailto:info@p4yp.org.uk)

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### Extra curricular clubs

**Tuesday:** Science club for Y4 with Miss Barkes 3.15-4.15 (starting 21<sup>st</sup> September letters going out)  
Netball and football will start again on the week beginning 27<sup>th</sup> September more details to follow next week.

### Breakfast & Afterschool Clubs

We have a paid for 'breakfast club' from 7.45am which is £3 per child and a paid for 'after school' child care club until 4.30pm. This is £5 per child. Please book/pay for in advance on parentpay.

Please email booking requests to Mrs Browne & Miss Etheridge

[abrowne@grassmoor.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:abrowne@grassmoor.derbyshire.sch.uk)

[setheridge@grassmoor.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:setheridge@grassmoor.derbyshire.sch.uk)

### School Lottery

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/grassmoor-primary-school>

Guaranteed weekly prize of £25, plus a jackpot of £25,000 and additional prizes.

### Diary dates

20 <sup>th</sup> September to 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	Y6 residential to Duke's barn
30 <sup>th</sup> September	Individual and sibling photos
4-7 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest/Autumn assembly 4 <sup>th</sup> EYFS 5 <sup>th</sup> KS1 6 <sup>th</sup> LKS2 7 <sup>th</sup> UKS2
22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Children break up
1 <sup>st</sup> November	Children start back
2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents evenings 3.30pm till 6.30pm
12 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need
17 <sup>th</sup> to 19 <sup>th</sup> November	Y5 residential trip to Mount Cook
29 <sup>th</sup> and 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Y4 to Thornbridge residential centre
1 <sup>st</sup> December	EYFS/KS1 House Craft Afternoon 2pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	KS2 House Craft Afternoon 2pm

### Policies & Safeguarding

Mrs Sharon James is the lead person for safeguarding children. If you would like to see the safeguarding policy or any of our other policies they are available on our website (these are regularly being added to following each governors meeting) or you can get a free paper copy by request from the school office.

NB: Youtube is not suitable to be accessed without adult supervision. However, there is a YouTube kids, which is more appropriate. See the link for more information on settings and controls:

<https://support.google.com/youtubekids/answer/6172308?hl=en-GB>

### Corona Virus Symptoms and Testing

If a child in school starts to develop any symptoms of the corona virus, school will telephone their parent/carer to pick them up as soon as possible. If negative (and they feel well enough), they can return to school after their negative test. If positive they must remain home for 10 days. Other members of the household will not need to self-isolate but it is strongly recommended that the other members of the household also get a test.

Testing is booked on this link: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

**NB: If a child is not attending school due to covid symptoms or a positive test, they will be directed to home learning by the teacher, which should be completed to ensure that children do not fall behind in their learning (unless they are feeling unwell of course).**

**PARENTAL CONSULTATION:**

**We like to involve parents as much as possible in school and love to hear what you think. Here are the main ways in which we will gather feedback:**

- Through an annual surveys which we will do during the next Parents' Evenings
- Through Parent View at [parentview.ofsted.gov](http://parentview.ofsted.gov).
- Or simply tell us what you think via text, phone, email or in person

Thank you for taking the time to tell us what you think of our school – Mrs Sharon James

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