

## NEWSLETTER

Welcome back! All the children have returned eager and excited to join their new classes. They have settled well into the routines of school – smart in their new uniforms.

There have been a few changes around the school over the holidays including our newly refurbished reception area and office. The large willow tree on the keystone 2 playground has sadly had to go as a part of it had become diseased. The hall is looking spruced up with a fresh coat of paint.



I hope you all managed to have a good summer despite the weather.

We already have lots planned for the new academic year. Information about the work that the children are covering this half-term will come home shortly. Look out for information about Meet the Teacher Week starting week beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> September. This will be an opportunity to meet your child's class teacher and find out about class routines and how you can help support your child.

Handwriting Week will be week beginning 15<sup>th</sup> September. During this week the children will practice their handwriting daily and there will be prizes for the 'Most Improved' and the 'Best' handwriting for each class.

Clubs will start week beginning 15<sup>th</sup> September; look out for the clubs letter coming home Monday!

### Reminders - Safety

Please can you help us to keep the children safe before and after school.

Unfortunately the playground equipment is to be only used during the school day and not to be used before or after school when it is not supervised. A child had a serious break of their arm last year and we would not like any child to hurt themselves.

Coming to school by scooter or bike is an excellent way to travel. Despite the playground being a great place to ride and scoot around this can cause a hazard for other children particularly younger siblings. Please can you remind your children not to ride their bikes and scooters on the playground before and after school.

### Class Attendance

The classes with the best attendance from Friday last week to yesterday in Reception/KS1 is 1YN with 100% attendance and in KS2 3CM with 98.9%.... WELL DONE 1YN and 3CM.

Group – Reception/KS1	% Possible	% Attend
Year 1 - Yasmin Naher	100	100
Year 2 - Tara Sassoon	100	97.8
Year 1 - Katie Witham	100	95
Year 2 - Jenny Gilbert	100	92.7

Group – KS2	% Possible	% Attend
Year 3 - Chris Marland	100	98.9
Year 6 - Yesim Soyel	100	98.5
Year 3 - Melissa Newberry	100	93.3
Year 6 - Andrew Penn	100	91.3
5JS - Joe Suckling	100	91.2
Year 4 - Ed Farrell	100	90.9
Year 4 - June Bother	100	90.4
Year 5 - Sarah Day/Nadia Parker	100	90.3

### Medicines

This is a reminder that we cannot administer any medication in school. If your child has been prescribed medication which needs to be taken at intervals during the day then please talk to your doctor about ensuring that these fit around the school day. If this is not possible then you will need to arrange for someone to come into school to administer the medication.

If your child has a long term medical condition that requires medication then please contact the school office to discuss this.

All medications need to be handed in at the school office and a medical form completed.

Thank you for your support with this matter.

### Wisepay Accounts

Just to remind you that all payments to school can be made using your child's Wisepay account. If you have misplaced your user name/password please speak to the school office.

### Nuts

**Nuts:-** We have several children in school who have *severe* allergic reactions to nuts. Please can I remind you that we **do not allow nuts of any sort in packed lunches** including peanut butter spread. With your support we will keep all of our children safe.

## PE Kits

School PE kit next year will continue to consist of: A white t-shirt, black shorts, plimsolls (indoor) and trainers (outdoor). Please ensure they have full PE kit for the start of the Autumn Term. If your child is in year 6 and leaving us or your child has grown out of kit and you wish to donate it to the school as spare kit this would be very much appreciated

## Vacancies

### MSA (5hrs/wk)

Due to the government's universal free school meal initiative we need to recruit additional lunchtime staff. The role entails supporting children in the dining room and also outside with their play.

If you can spare an hour at lunchtime please come and speak to the office.

## School Meal Charges for the Autumn Term

The meal charges for the Autumn Term are:

Cost per day for Nursery Children	£2.05
<b>Costing for Junior Children</b>	
Cost per day	£2.15
Per Week	£10.75
First Half of the Autumn Term (39 days)	£83.85
Second Half of the Autumn Term (35 days)	£75.25
Whole of the Summer Term (74 days)	£159.10
Fun-day Friday for the Whole Term	£32.25

Please use your wisePAY account to pay for dinner money. If you have lost your user name and password please speak to the school office. Thank you.

## Term Dates for the Children September 2014 to July 2015

### **AUTUMN TERM 2014**

Tuesday 2nd September to Friday 19th December  
Half-Term Week – Monday 27th to Friday 31st October

### **SPRING TERM 2015**

Tuesday 6th January to Thursday 2nd April  
Half-Term Week – Monday 16th to Friday 20th February

### **SUMMER TERM 2015**

Tuesday 21st April to Friday 17th July  
Half-Term Week – Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May  
May Bank Holiday – Monday 4th May

## Autumn Term Dates

5 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 6 Swimming
8 <sup>th</sup> September	Reception Children Start
11 <sup>th</sup> September	Nursery SPLAT Session
15 <sup>th</sup> September	Nursery Children Start
15 <sup>th</sup> September	Handwriting Week
15 <sup>th</sup> September	Clubs Start
22 <sup>nd</sup> September	Meet the Teacher week
25 <sup>th</sup> September	Governors Meeting
29 <sup>th</sup> September to 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Residential School Journey
30 <sup>th</sup> September	Governors Training
8 <sup>th</sup> October	No Pens Day
8 <sup>th</sup> October	Governors Meeting
13 <sup>th</sup> October	Writing Assessment
14 <sup>th</sup> October	School Photographer in
22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Parent Consultations
23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Parent Consultations
27 <sup>th</sup> -31 <sup>st</sup> October	Half Term
6 <sup>th</sup> November	School Disco
10 <sup>th</sup> November	Anti-Bullying Week
17 <sup>th</sup> November	Assessment Week
24 <sup>th</sup> November	Governor Visit Day
26 <sup>th</sup> November	Governors Meeting
28 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 6 visit to the London Transport Museum
5 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Fair
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Production Week
17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner
18 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Carol Concert
19 <sup>th</sup> December	School Finishes for the Christmas Holidays at 2pm

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