

Jewellery

Children should not wear jewellery to school. The only acceptable items of jewellery are a wristwatch (*not novelty ones!*) and earring studs. Should a pupil have pierced ears, plain studs should only be worn and in order to comply with health and safety regulations, must be removed or covered with a plaster during all PE activities. Please note that the school will be unable to take any responsibility for any jewellery that is lost.

Hair & Make Up

We recommend that hair should be neat and tidy and worn with no extremes of style or colour. Long hair should be tied back during the school day. No make-up or nail varnish is to be worn to school.

This is quite a list of reminders but we really appreciate your support with all of the above .

After-School Clubs

- The after-school clubs below will recommence next week (Monday 18th April 2016) apart from the Monday Art Club which begins on 25th April 2016.
- Thursday clubs are not available on 26th May 2016 and Street Dance is unavailable on 28th June 2016 due to events held in school.
- The Multi-Skills club (that is usually held on a Tuesday) has been cancelled due to Mr Ridley being absent from work. The club will now take place on a Thursday by Education Enterprise staff. Once Mr Ridley has returned to work, an after-school club will be available on a Tuesday for reception class children. Further information regarding this club will be sent to parents once arrangements have been finalised.
- All children will require an additional PE kit and water bottle for clubs. Children do not need a snack for after school club.
- Please complete the form below and return to school next week (along with payment for this term) - Clubs are not available the last week of term therefore payments are up to 15th July 2016 – bank holidays and events have not been charged for). If children are absent due to sickness, or clubs are cancelled due to circumstances beyond our control, then credits will be paid.

Thank you

Name: _____ Class _____

| Day | Club | Time | Cost (per week) | TERMLY PAYMENT DUE | Tick to allocate a place |
|---|--|---------------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Monday | Football Training - Years 4, 5 & 6 | 3.30-4.30p.m. | £2.50 | £25.00 | |
| Monday Start Date 25/4/16 | Club not available until 25/4/16 Art club will continue for those children that attended the club towards the end of last term. | 3.30-4.30p.m. | £2.50 | £22.50 | |
| Tuesday | Street Dance Years 2,3, 4, 5 & 6 | 3.30-4.30p.m. | £2.50 | £27.50 * | |
| Wednesday | Jujitsu—All Years | 3.30-4.30p.m. | Contact Provider | Enquire with provider | Contact Provider |
| Wednesday | Drama— Years 3,4,5 & 6 | 3.30-4.30p.m. | £2.50 | £30.00 | |
| Thursday | Art club will continue for those children that attended the club towards the end of last term. | 3.30-4.30p.m. | £2.50 | £27.50 * | |
| Thursday | Rugby (for 6 weeks then Cricket after Half term holidays) -Years 4, 5 & 6 | 3.30-4.30p.m. | £2.50 | £27.50 * | |
| Thursday | Multi-Skills Years 1 & 2 | 3.30-4.30p.m. | £2.50 | £27.50 * | |

* Thursday clubs not available on 26/5/16 and Street Dance unavailable 28/06/2016 due to events held in school.

Total Amount Enclosed:

Dear Parents

Welcome back to the Summer term! We hope that you all had an enjoyable Easter.

Please find below our news for this week.....

- Year 5 began their swimming sessions this week. These sessions will continue each Monday until after the summer half term holidays. Please ensure that your child brings their swimming kit into school for these sessions.
- Years 4, 5 and 6 took part in First Aid Training with St John's Ambulance Service this week. Children learned a variety of first aid techniques and skills which would be most beneficial to them in emergency situations. The sessions were very practical and involved the children practising their skills. The sessions were thoroughly enjoyed by all, including the St John's Ambulance Trainer who was most impressed with the manners, behaviour and positive attitude of our children.
- A group of Year 3, 4, and 5 children took part in training in school today for their role as Anti-Bullying Ambassador. The group worked with Joanne and Tracey to learn new skills for the role. They enjoyed the experience and they are showing great commitment and enthusiasm for their new role ahead.

Thank you for your continued support

Wendy Gill and Staff

School Dinner Information

Please note that payments must be made on a Monday. Text messages will be sent to parents on a Monday if we do not receive payment. This will avoid any confusion with payments. At the moment payments come in throughout the week and it is becoming increasingly difficult to manage for Office staff. Payments must be in an envelope that is clearly marked with your child's name and amount. No purses please as this is causing confusion. (Please do not send loose money in also!)

Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

Important Dates for your Diary

These dates were on the planner you received at the beginning of the year.

- Open Afternoon — Thursday 26th May 2016
- Father's Day Event (a.m.) —Friday 17th June 2016
- Sport's Day (p.m.) - Tuesday 28th June 2016
- Reports to Parents—Friday 8th July 2016
- Parent's Evening—Tuesday 12th July 2016
- Whole School Induction Day—Friday 15th July 2016

Holidays

May Day— Monday 2nd May

- Summer Half Term — School closed from Monday 30th May 2016—Return to school on Tuesday 7th June 2016
- Summer Holidays—School closed Thursday 21st July 2016—Return to school on Tuesday 6th September 2016



Congratulations



Star of the Week Award

15th April 2016

Class Nominations

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| Reception | Max A |
| Class 1 | Joel A |
| Class 2 | Brodie K |
| Class 3 | James S |
| Class 4 | Evi D |
| Class 5 | Tilly R |
| Class 6 | Kody S |

Superstar of the Week!

* Kody S *

Well Done

Writer of the Week

15th April 2016

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| Reception | Finley H |
| Class 1 | Caelan H |
| Class 2 | April G |
| Class 3 | Brianna T |
| Class 4 | Ben G |
| Class 5 | Harry B |
| Class 6 | Cobi J |

Good to Be Green

Lucky Dip Winners

KS1 Jayden B

KS2 George R

ATTENDANCE

Week Beginning: 21st March 2016

R, Year 2 and Year 5

100%



Sainbury Active Kids Vouchers 2016

Thank you for your help in collecting the Active Kids Vouchers. Vouchers are available in stores until 3rd May 2016. Please would you encourage family members and neighbours etc to continue to collect these. Thank you for your support.

Important Information

Before & After School

I am sure that you will have noticed how busy/congested the playground is at the beginning and end of the school day? It would be really helpful if parents could avoid congregating around the gate area as it is difficult to get in and out. Plus at the end of the school day, bus children line up at the gate and it is sometimes very difficult to see who is or isn't in the line!

It would also be helpful if parents could keep the area outside the classroom of the future and the path down to the playground clear. This will enable children who have been dropped off to see a clear pathway down onto the yard and the teacher on duty where they are. We would like to encourage all children to come onto the yard as soon as they come into school. Children who wait with their parents/grandparents should not be going between their parents and the yard. Parents/grandparents should only be responsible for their child. Parents should not be using the school car park when collecting children from after school clubs. Just a reminder - dogs are not allowed on school premises.

Reception Class Outdoor Area

As you know children in Reception Class and Year 1 are collected from the Reception Class Outdoor Area at the front of the school at the end of the school day as this is most practical. Can I please ask that parents with younger siblings are respectful of this area? This is Reception Class' outdoor classroom and outdoor learning is an important part of the Early Years curriculum. We have had several items broken and damaged since September and the cost to repair and replace is expensive. Younger siblings should not be using or playing on any of the equipment whilst waiting to collect brothers/sisters. Please note that the gate will not be opened before 3.15p.m.

Parking

We have had meetings with the local police and members of Durham County Council and there are plans in place to try and alleviate some of the problems. We have been asked to collect registration plates of cars that park on the no parking zone outside school. The police are calling into school to collect the numbers we have recorded and the dates on which they were recorded.

Water Bottles

Hopefully over the coming weeks we will see the sun shine! Please can you make sure your child has a water bottle in school and has a sun hat/cap. Please note that only water is allowed. It would also be useful if sunscreen was applied at home. Water Bottles are available to purchase in school at a cost of £1.00 each. Please enquire at the school office.

Mobile Phones

An increasing number of children are bringing mobile phones into school. We do have a strict policy regarding this. We appreciate that if children are walking home unaccompanied or get the school bus, then for safety reasons they might need to have their phones. Any phones brought to school must be handed in at the office and they will be kept in a safe place until the end of the day when it is your child's responsibility to come and collect it.

School Bags

We are limited to space in our porch areas and an increasing number of children are bringing huge bags to school and it is difficult for us to store them. Could we please ask that your child brings a school book bag and a drawstring type bag for P.E./After School Club kit. Children are also bringing pencil cases that are so full that they are too big to fit in their trays! School do provide children with all the necessary stationary. We appreciate that some children like to bring pens, pencils etc from home, but can this please be kept to a minimum. It also causes unnecessary upset when items brought from home go missing.

School Uniform reminders:

School uniform is important in building our children's sense of identity and belonging to our school community. It also instils a sense of pride and supports positive behaviour.

We require all pupils to wear school uniform which consists of:

Navy Blue sweatshirt/jumper or cardigan (with or without the school logo on)
sky blue or white polo shirt (with or without the school logo on)
Grey or black trousers
Grey, navy or black skirt
Black, navy blue or brown, flat sensible, safe, shoes or trainers (with no markings)
Black, navy blue or brown, flat boots as a winter option.

Summer Options

Plain grey, black or navy shorts
Sandals with socks (no open toes please)
Gingham dresses -blue
Any cap to protect from the sun (*School Trends do a one with school logo*)

PE Kit

White T-Shirt or Polo Shirt
Plain black or navy shorts or leggings
Plimsolls For indoor PE - bare feet.
Trainers for outdoor games only
Tracksuit bottoms/sweatshirt for outdoor games

Many of the school uniform items above can be ordered on-line through School Trends or from the school office. Most supermarkets sell the above items too. (*without logo*)

All clothing and footwear should be clearly labelled with your child's name