



Weekly Newsletter

'Everyone is an achiever'

Friday 15 September 2023

Message from the Principal

Another year ahead and we are excited to be starting or continuing our reading journey with your children. It has been great to have the children back in the classroom and to hear them read.

We love books and our aim as a school is for your child to develop a love of reading. We have had such a strong start to the term and your children already enjoying books.

Top Tip: If they are shy at reading to you, give them a reading buddy (soft toy) to read to or let them read to your pet

Coffee Mornings

We are looking to put on 3 coffee mornings over the course of the year with our Educational Psychologist who will be talking about managing challenging behaviour at home, anxiety and another topic suggested by parents.



Friday 6th October – Managing Challenging behaviour at home. – 9.00am until 10.30am

Friday 2nd February 2024 – Anxiety - 9.00am until 10.30am

Friday 10th May 2023 – topic to be finalised - 9.00am until 10.30am

If you are interested in attending, please complete this form. <https://forms.office.com/e/QFLVXk8D6x>

School Attendance

Like all parents, you will want your child to do the best they can at school, and we are grateful for the crucial role you play in supporting them to do this. Supporting them to attend on time each day, as well as supporting them to complete homework is part of the reason our children achieve as well as they do.

Families that take holidays in term time, for whatever reason, have a significant impact on their child's attendance and therefore on achievement. We need your support to reverse this. Holidays should only be booked within holiday term times, these dates can be found on our website. No holidays will be authorised outside of these dates unless they meet the special circumstance criteria.

We all have a legal duty to ensure our children will reach their potential by attending school if they are able. All the evidence clearly shows that pupils with excellent attendance achieve better at school.

If you are having problems with getting your child to attend for reasons other than a holiday, please speak to me as soon as possible so that we can work together to resolve this.

Secondary School 2024 application

Secondary School 2024 Online Application opened Friday 8th September 2023. Parents with children in Year 6 have until 31st October to complete the online application. You should apply to the council where you reside (pay your council tax).

Please contact the secondary school you are interested in to arrange looking around for your child



Information

- May I kindly request that you remember to remove your child's earrings prior to participating in PE activities.
- We have been receiving numerous messages from pupils expressing their inability to remove their earrings for PE activities. Moreover, a significant number of children have lately had ear piercing, resulting in an increased need to put tape on their ears. The act of using tape to cover their ears is not a sufficiently effective measure for accident prevention, and it is important to note that we cannot be held liable for any accidents that may occur. Hence, it is considerably safer to remove the earrings. If the child is unable to independently remove their earrings, it is necessary for the earrings to be taken off prior to their arrival at school.
- PE lessons take place on: Physical Education (PE) classes for students in Years 1 and 2 - Mondays and Tuesdays, Years 3 and 4 - Tuesdays, and Years 5 and 6 - Mondays.

Dates for Diary

- Thursday 5th October – Grandparents Day
- Friday 6th October - Managing Challenging behaviour at home
- Monday 9th October 2023 - Canon Chris assembly.
- Friday 13th October 2023 – Individual and Sibling Photos
- **Half Term - Monday 23rd October to Friday 3rd November.**
- Monday 6th November 2023 - Return back to school.
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- Wednesday 15th November 2023 - SEND Outreach Forum for parents with SEN children.
- Friday 8th December 2023 - KS2 Outdoor Christmas Fayre - all invited. 1.15pm until 3.15pm
- Friday 15th December 2023 - FS / KS1 Christmas Play. Times TBC.