



Dear Families,

Welcome to the start of the new curriculum year 2021-2022. We hope that you have all had a wonderful summer break and had a chance to recharge your batteries. It was lovely to see you all on Tuesday and some of you looked desperate to hand your children over!

We do not know what this year will bring, but we will do our best to provide fun and learning filled with lots of positive and spiritual experience for your child. We are hoping to be able to gather together during class liturgies this half term; Mrs Colley will share the dates with you so that you can join your children in prayer.

Systems in school

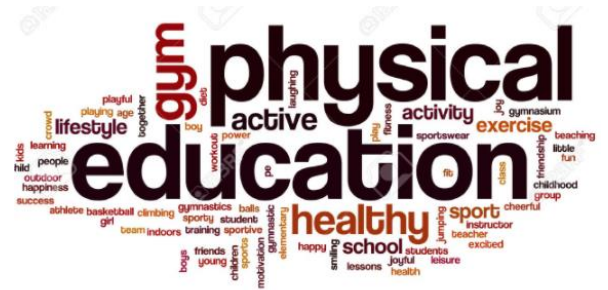
The children are no longer in class bubbles however, we are limiting whole school contact for the first few weeks in school as the children all settle back and we assess COVID-19 rates in the area. The children now socialise and play in key stages in the yard during break and lunch time. The children are currently still spread across two halls to eat their dinner, but we are working towards merging them all back in the dining hall.

PE

We will continue to have children come to school in their PE kits.

This consists of

- White plain t-shirt
- Plain navy jumper/ hoody or school jumper
- Plain navy shorts/ tracksuit bottoms or leggings



Class	PE days
Reception	Wednesday
Year 1	Friday
Year 2	Friday
Year 3	Monday
Year 4	Monday (Also swimming Friday- children should wear their PE kits from next week)
Year 5	Friday
Year 6	Friday

After school clubs

We are re-starting a range of clubs the week after next for years 1-6. Mrs Smith will send out a letter next week regarding this. We will give reception a chance to settle in before we introduce this to them.

Class DoJo

All letters will continue to be sent out via ClassDojo. Please check that your APP is up to date and that the notifications are turned on. If you have any difficulties then please see a member of school staff and they should be able to help. If you are not signed up to ClassDojo, then please download the APP and ask the class teacher to give you access.

Reception

The new starters have settled so well into school; we are so pleased with them all and we welcome them to our family. The children will be paired up with a year 6 buddy to support them and they will be introduced to the school in a welcome assembly and mass. Dates will follow.

They have received a hard copy of this letter until Class DoJo is set up for them all.





Uniform

Our uniform requirements are very simple as items can easily be purchased at many shops. Please support us in ensuring that your child wears the correct uniform.

Our school uniform policy can be found on the school website. It consists of

- Black school shoes- not trainers.
- Grey trousers / shorts/ skirt/ dress
- Light blue polo t-shirt
- Navy school jumper which is available from Emblematic and Initial Images.

Additional support

As a school, we support many children with long and short-term difficulties. We are hosting a coffee morning on the first Thursday of every month for families of children who have been identified as having a special education need or disability or are receiving additional support. Individual families have been sent information, but if you think it would be helpful to you then please come along. There is a poster with additional information on in the main yard in school noticeboard.

Homework

This week and next will see the children come home with their half-termly spelling sheet and curriculum newsletter. Please help your children learn the spellings in advance of their test. All children have been given a reading book this week; in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 your child will have a set reading day. KS2 will be heard to read across the week. All children need to bring their book to school daily. We would like you to encourage your child to read at home.

Homework is currently weekly reading and spellings. Lexia and TimesTables Rock Stars or Numbots is also to be completed at home; the teachers monitor this so please complete sessions at home. Passwords remain the same as last year and will be sent out via Class DoJo. Classes will also receive homework that supports them in class, this will vary depending on the individual needs of the children. The class teachers will inform you of any homework that is sent or due via Class DoJo.

Upcoming events

A separate newsletter will be sent out next week with upcoming events on. Please look out for it; it will be on Class DoJo and the notice board outside of the main office.



Thanking you,

Mrs Tumelty.

