

Welcome Back!

A warm welcome back to everyone– we hope you all had a great summer! It was lovely to see all the children this morning, including all of our new starters. As you can see from the photos below, we have had a great first day back in school enjoying the sunshine- everyone has settled in brilliantly, including our new starters in Nursery and Reception, and we are looking forward to the year ahead.



Year 6 Swimming

This year, we have made a slight change to our swimming programme to ensure that we can support as many children as possible to meet the end of Key Stage 2 expectations for swimming. Therefore, for the next three weeks, Year 6 children will all be going swimming every Tuesday afternoon at Mill House Leisure Centre in Hartlepool. Class 7 will then begin their block of swimming lessons on 7th October. Please refer to the letter sent home today with Year 6 about what to bring each Tuesday. Please could you return the consent form to school by Friday.

Forest Schools

Tomorrow, Year 5 will be taking part in an educational forest school lesson led by our forest school leader, Chris. Please ensure children wear suitable clothing and footwear for the weather and, if necessary, bring a waterproof coat. Children will be outside for this session so please apply sunscreen before children come to school. We also ask that any long hair is tied back for this session.



Newsletter

Tuesday 5th September

Year 6 Trampolining

As part of their PE curriculum, Year 6 will be taking part in weekly trampolining sessions this term at Velocity Trampolining in Billingham every Wednesday from tomorrow. Year 6 children can come into school in sportswear (appropriate for trampolining) every Wednesday.

Warm Weather

Due to the current warm weather, which is expected to last into next week, please ensure children have sun cream applied before coming into school. We also ask that children bring sun hats and plenty of water to school with them each

As we begin this new academic year, we wanted to remind you of some of the key information about school operations.

The School Day

This year, we will continue to operate a flexible drop off between 8.30-9am each morning and a flexible collection between 3.15-3.30pm.

After-School Clubs

Our timetable of after school clubs started today and run from 3.30-4.30pm. At 4.30pm, children should be collected from their usual classroom doors. Any children who are not collected at 4.30pm will go straight to Tea Club. All clubs are free of charge, although we do ask for a contribution towards the cost of the bus for trampolining club, which has now been added to ParentPay.

As mentioned in the email sent out earlier today, the booking system for parents to book additional places will go live at 7pm this evening.

Lunches

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 all receive a free school meal as part of the Universal Free School Meals programme. The cost of a school meal for all other year groups is £2.50, which is payable via ParentPay. A copy of our weekly lunch menu is available on our school website. Children can bring a packed lunch, if they prefer.

Uniform

A reminder that as part of our uniform policy children should not wear any jewellery in school, including earrings, other than a watch.

Children will begin PE lessons this week so please ensure children bring their PE kits to school. These will be kept in school for the half-term and sent home at the end of term.

Homework

Homework will be added to eSchools starting next week. Although there will be no formal homework this week, children do have access to a range of online resources to support their learning including Spelling Shed and Times Tables Rockstars. Reading books will be sent home with children next week.