

## STRONGER TOGETHER

Welcome back to a brand new school year. We are looking forward to welcoming the children to their new classrooms on Wednesday for an exciting year, with a focus on success for all children.

Here is some important information for the coming week:

- Timings of the school day:
    - Nursery and Reception will start at 8.45am and finish at 3.10pm.
    - Year 1 to Year 6 will start at 8.45am and finish at 3.15pm.
    - The gates will open at 8.30am, the main doors will open at 8.40am and close at 8.45am. Registers will close at 8.50am.
  - Breakfast club will start at 8am and finish at 8.45am and the cost will be £2 for every child. Children will enter via the main security access gate. Last entry to breakfast club will be 8.30am.
  - After School Club will be from 3.15pm and will finish at 5pm, the cost will be £6 per child per day and £5 for additional siblings. (£2 for 3.15pm-3.45pm)
  - The cost for school meals will be £2.40 per day/£12.00 per week.
  - All payments are to be made online via the School Gateway.
  - Children will not need to bring a bag or water bottle to school. Children will have access to water in their classroom and at lunchtime. A labelled drawstring bag with their PE kit should be brought to school each Monday and taken home on Fridays for washing and returning each Monday. This saves expense for you too!
- Don't forget to put your child's name in all items of clothing.

### **What will the first day back look like?**

There are now only 2 entrances to the school site, these are Kenyon Lane and Lizmar Terrace nursery entrance.

Doors will open at 8.40am. Parents are invited to accompany children to their new classrooms on Wednesday 6th September.

- Nursery and Reception children will enter the the Early Years building from the doors on the Nursery playground. Turtles and Fishes will enter and exit on the opposite side of the EYFS building. This will be clearly signposted.
- Y1 children will enter through their own classroom doors. Children in 1/2CCCE (Mrs Carlisle's) will enter through the door at the end of the main building. If you are unsure, there will be staff available to direct you on the playground. They will be in orange hi-vis vests.
- Y2 and Y3 will enter through the red door next to the office
- Y4, Y5 and Y6 will enter through the red doors in the middle of the building, off the main playground.

There will be staff available to guide parents and children to the correct entrance.

Children will be collected at the same doors at 3.15pm.

If you have a child in Y5 or Y6 and you are allowing them to leave independently please can you inform the school office, we can only allow children to leave independently once we have this information.

These are new routines for the children, please bear with us while we consider the effectiveness of these.

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	Teacher training day
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Teacher training day
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	Children return – 8.45am start

### #Year 3 Dinner Money

Your child has been entitled to Free School meals universally to Year 2. As they are now about to enter Year 3, I want to remind you that this Free School Meal funding will not apply. We work hard to provide good quality, value for money meals for our pupils and hope your child will continue to have a school meal with us. We have a meal price of £2.40 per day or £12.00 per week. The payment must be paid in advance and we recommend you use our online payment system School Gateway. If you have not already signed up to School Gateway please speak to the office team about a login and some help to get you started.

If you think you might be entitled to Free School Meals due to benefits you are receiving, please talk to the office team to clarify this and visit this site:

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

### #Uniform

New uniform is available to purchase on the School Gateway app at a discounted price. We also have lots of pre-loved uniform available, which we will be selling at points throughout the year.

### #Year 6 Residential

This is booked for 4th - 6th of March 2024 and includes 3 days of activities and 2 nights' accommodation. We are yet to get quotes for coach travel; however, the cost is likely to be around £200, we will be sending out more details in September including a payment plan.

### #Photo permissions

We will be sending out a consent form for photo permissions soon. This is to ensure all children are able to have their photo taken, especially for individual and class photos.