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## **SEPTEMBER NEWS**

We are delighted to welcome all your children back to school and we are looking forward to the year ahead. We would also like to take this opportunity to welcome Mrs Neilly and Miss Neill to our school family. We send congratulations to Mrs Alcorn on the birth of baby Eliza and to Mrs Logan on the birth of baby Harry. Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with Mrs Philpott on the death of her mother and we look forward to her return.

Here are some upcoming dates and events for your diary. We appreciate your support as always.

### **SCHOOL JUMPERS**

Could you please ensure that ALL school sweatshirts are clearly named as these easily get mixed up.

### **PTA FUN DAY**

We are looking forward to a great afternoon of fun on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2.30-5.30pm Please note, a photographer from the local newspaper will be at this event and if you do not wish your child to be in any photographs, it is your responsibility to notify the photographer yourself.

### **BREAK**

From Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September break will be available from the school canteen. Pancakes, bagels and toast 30p each; half muffin with cheese 40p.

### **BREAKFAST CLUB**

Breakfast Club will recommence on Tue 5<sup>th</sup> Sept. Doors open at 7.50am and close at 8.15am. It will run on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of each week.

### **MUSIC TUITION**

Pupils in P4-7 who wish to continue or begin music lessons, please return the reply slip promptly as these lessons are due to start on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September.

### **P6/7 SWIMMING LESSONS**

Swimming begins on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September. For more details see the form provided and return permission slip.

### **P7 TRANSFER TEST REGISTRATION**

Any child sitting the transfer test this year, Nov 2023, please ensure that they are registered immediately as registration closes on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September.

### **P6/7 RESIDENTIAL TRIP**

Any P6/7 pupils planning to attend the residential trip to Greenhill Activity Centre, please fill in the form as soon as possible and return to school with the £70 deposit.

### **PARENT INFORMATION MEETINGS**

Each class teacher has arranged a date for you to come into school to meet them and receive important information for the smooth running of the school year ahead.

Please see dates below:

- Mrs Black P1 - All parents have received a date/time on Class Dojo for their meeting
- Miss Neill P6/7 - Mon 4th Sept
- Mrs Small/Mrs Neilly P2/3 - Wed 6th Sept
- Miss Marshall P4/5 - Thur 7th Sept

All meetings will take place at 2.15pm

### **AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

These will commence week beginning 18<sup>th</sup> September. Further information to follow.

### **PTA PYJAMA DAY**

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September - Wear your pyjamas to school and bring £1 for school funds. Please ensure your child is appropriately dressed for indoor and outdoor activities.

### **PE UNIFORM**

I would like to remind you that children can continue to come to school in their PE kit on PE days. The PE kit consists of:

- A **PLAIN** white t-shirt or the school PE t-shirt (we do still have some of these available and they are priced at £5)
- **PLAIN** navy or black leggings, jogging bottoms or shorts
- School jumper must also be worn

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Staff Development Day – Mon 25<sup>th</sup> September

Wear-it-Green Day – Fri 29<sup>th</sup> September – Macmillan Cancer Fundraiser

Flu Vaccinations – Tue 10<sup>th</sup> October

Parent Interviews – Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> – Fri 27<sup>th</sup> October

Half-Term – Mon 30<sup>th</sup> Oct – Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov (inclusive)

Please keep a close eye on the school app / Class Dojo for further updates.