

'Striving for Excellence'
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NEWSLETTER 1 SEPTEMBER 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

We would like to welcome everybody back for the new term and also to welcome all the new children starting in Foundation Stage. Please take time to read the newsletter which has a lot of information for the Autumn Term.

SETTLING IN MEETINGS FOR THE AUTUMN TERM

Teachers will share year group expectations and parents will need to complete the One Page Summary for their child for the new academic year.

The new Foundation parents have already completed their summaries during their visit to school this term.

Year 1 to Year 6 pupils will have completed their part of the summary in class prior to the Settling In Meeting with parents.

All meetings will take place at **2.45pm** on the assigned day and access will be through the main front entrance of the school for Viking Hall meetings and through the Millennium Walkway for Millennium Hall meetings.

Monday 11th September - Year 1 in the Mill Hall.

Monday 11th September - Year 3 in the Viking Hall.

Tuesday 12th September - Year 2 in the Mill Hall.

Tuesday 12th September - Year 4 in the Viking Hall.

Wednesday 13th September - Year 5 in the Mill Hall.

Wednesday 13th September - Year 6 in the Viking Hall.

Please try to come along.

CLASSES FOR SEPTEMBER 2017

F1 - Mrs Smith & Miss Williams—TA's Mrs Goodship, Mrs Lloyd & Mr Marrant

F2 - Mrs Bryan & Mrs Quiddington—TA's Mrs Childs & Ms Connor

1H - Mrs Halls—Teaching Assistant Mrs Rayner

1S - Mrs Saggs—Teaching Assistant Mrs Johnson

2A - Miss Ainscough—Teaching Assistant Mrs Miller

2P - Miss Perry—Teaching Assistant Mrs Rainger

3E - Mrs Edwards—Teaching Assistant Mrs Brooks

3S - Miss Stone—Teaching Assistant Mrs Gunning

4N - Mrs Nicholas—Teaching Assistant Mrs Law

4S - Miss Spalding—Teaching Assistant Mrs Lynch

5HC - Mrs Higgs & Mrs Crooks—Teaching Assistant Mrs Palmer

5T - Mrs Tinsley—Teaching Assistant Mrs Green

6T - Miss Tylor—Teaching Assistant Mrs Barnes

6S - Mrs Sully—Teaching Assistant Mrs Gordon

NEW FOUNDATION STARTERS

We would like to welcome our Foundation children who will be joining us, and settling into school life over the next few weeks. Mila Balic, Archie Boom, Lucy Church, Alfie Clowser, Harry Courtney, Martha Etherden, Oliver Firkins, Lily Galley, Amelie Goldstone, Logan Goodchild, Joshua Hills, Oliver Jacks, Sebastian Jardine, Henry Keogh, Aziza Khusanbayev, Ida Knights, Freddy Law, Calum Maclean, Lewis Maclean, Anabel Murphy, Arthur Patient, Jasmyn Patient, Ashton Reece-Ford, Ronnie Settle, Violet Sheen, Rosie Stearn, Finlay Stoner, Jessica Strong, Freddie Thomas, Erin Whiskin, Lily-Rose Allum, Jack Cammack, Luke Darling, Lilly Donovan, Evie Drury, Austin Farthing, Ronnie Foakes, Stanley Francis, Zachary Freeman, Poppy Heard, Zak Heraty, Charles Hill, Charlotte Holland, Isla Kemp, Lucy Mansell, William Marshall, Stanley Mills, Lily-Dee Moore, Amelie Pask, Benjamin Pinborough, Mark Pollard, Lily Potter, Tomalyn Potter, Lyra Potts, Todd Ruffy, Bentley Spooner, Jack Wallis, Layla Warwick, Ella Webb, Henrietta Wilson.

NEW STAFF MEMBERS

We would like to welcome Miss Adams who will be teaching groups of Year 6 children, Mrs Crooks who will be a class teacher in Year 5, Mrs Saggs who will be a Class teacher in Year 1 & Mrs Quiddington who will be a class teacher in Foundation Stage. We also have Mr Sollars, Mr Marrant & Miss Connor who will be joining our TA team.

MATERNITY LEAVE

Mrs Tompkins will be going on maternity leave this month. We all wish her well and look forward to hearing some baby news!

KINDNESS COUNTS WEEK

On our return to school this week the children will be learning about Friendships & British values. There will be activities taking place throughout the week in all year groups, where the children will be voting for their class councillor and eco committee representative. Our Year 5 & 6 children will be taking part in a King Alfred the Great play day on Thursday learning about immigration and tolerance. On Friday our local MP Mr Whittingdale will be visiting and taking questions from some of the children.

KS2 CLASS ASSEMBLIES

All KS2 assemblies are held in The Viking Hall. Please come along.

6S—9th November, 6T—23rd November

5T—16th November, 5HC—18th January

4S—25th January, 4N—1st February

3S—8th February, 3E—1st March

CLUBS

Miss Nicoll will be sending out letters for children to sign up to after school sports' clubs this week.

Mrs Jones will be running a Homework Club on Wednesday after school to 4.15pm for Year 5 and 6 pupils. She will be sending out invitations soon.

CITIZENS OF THE TERM

The following pupils have been awarded Citizen of the Term by their classmates and teacher. This is for being a good role model to others and excelling over the last term. 6S—Jessica Shadforth, 6T—Hannah Winestein, 5SH— Izzy Wallace, 5TL—Harrison Gooch, 4N—Harry Menon, 4S—Oliver Clark, 3H—Daisy Kirby, 3W—Toby Loughlin, 2E—Kiera Galley, 2S—Bonnie Marshall, 1S—Ben Joslin, 1T—Elaine McCarthy, F1—Louise Ranger, F2—Callum Marshall.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT WORKS

During the Summer holidays the Nurture Bay was transformed into an extra classroom. This will be used by Year 6 in the mornings. We have also converted the school house into extra teaching, office and meeting space. Pupils will have the chance to use this fantastic extra space shortly.

WATER BOTTLES

Water bottles are for sale at a cost of £1 at the school office. Children need to take home their water bottles on a daily basis. Please wash them thoroughly and refill them for the next day. Children may top up their bottles from the school water coolers during the school day.

SWIM HATS

Swim Hats are available from the office at a cost of £1.00 each. They are available in a selection of colours.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

On Friday 29th September we will be hosting a coffee morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer. It will be held in the Millennium Hall after school drop off. Please support this great cause by bringing some cakes on the day homemade or shop bought and coming along to the coffee morning.

PUPIL SUPERVISION

Children should not be left outside the school gates unsupervised before 8.35am. Year 5 and 6 children need a permission letter from their parents if they are walking home on their own. A letter will be sent home for parents to complete and must be returned to school.

MOBILE PHONES

Any pupil bringing a mobile phone to school must sign them into the office each morning and collect them at the end of the day.

Dates for Autumn Term.

Tuesday 5th September— Pupils return to school.

Tuesday 5th—Friday 8th September— Kindness Counts Week—The children will be taking part in activities all week to promote British Values and Kindness.

Thursday 7th September—New FS Autumn born children start part time.

Monday 11th September—New FS Spring born children start part time.

Monday 11th September at 2.45pm – Year 1 and Year 3 Settling In Meetings.

Tuesday 12th September at 2.45pm – Year 2 and 4 Settling In Meetings.

Wednesday 13th September—New FS Summer born children start part time.

Wednesday 13th September at 2.45pm – Year 5 and 6 Settling In Meetings.

Monday 25th September 9am—New FS parents coffee morning.

Time to make new friends and have an input from staff on how we teach phonics and early reading and how parents can access the class Its Learning page.

Friday 29th September— Macmillan Coffee Morning. We will be holding a coffee morning in the Millennium Hall. Please make some cakes for us to sell and bring them along on the day to sell at the coffee morning. We will also have a cake sale on the playground at morning break for the children.

Tuesday 26th September—Crucial Crew Yr6 - Details to follow

Thursday 12th October—Children's Individual & Siblings Photographs— Viking Hall

Tuesday 17th October—Grandparents' Morning Grandparents' of our new Foundation pupils are invited to a special morning in school. Details to follow.

Friday 20th October— FLU Immunisation for children.

Friday 20th October—Harvest Festival—TBC

Monday 23rd to Friday 27th October—**HALF TERM**

Monday 30th October— Pupils return to school.

Wednesday 8th November— Year 6 Sat's meeting in the Viking Hall at 6pm. Details to follow from the class teachers.

Friday 24th November—Decoration Day Parent volunteers welcome. £2 contribution requested per child to support the purchase of extra resources. Details to follow.

Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30th November 3.30 to 5.20pm and 6 to 7pm—Parent Consultations Details to follow from the class teachers. School meal taster session in Viking Hall.

Friday 1st December at 2pm—Christmas Bazaar Details to follow from the PTA.

Monday 4th, Tuesday 5th & Wednesday 6th December—Key Stage 1 Christmas Performances – Details to follow.

Wednesday 13th December— Christmas Dinners - Details to follow.

Thursday 14th December—Year 3 Christingle Performance—Details to follow.

Monday 18th December— In School Pantomime. TBC

Tuesday 19th December—**Santa Day** Pupils to wear anything Christmassy which can include Christmas jumpers, anything red or green or come along dressed as an elf, a Christmas fairy, Santa, a reindeer or a snowman! Do not forget to still provide your child with a coat on the day and suitable footwear for playtimes.

Tuesday 19th December—Last Day of Term.

Wednesday 20th December—**Inset Day**
Thursday 21st December to Monday 1st January—Christmas holidays.

Tuesday 2nd January 2018—Inset Day.

Wednesday 3rd January—Pupils return to school for the Spring Term.