

Friday 8th September 2023

Welcome back! What a wonderful first 3 days we have had at school this week – the children have been an absolute joy and every time I popped into a classroom I was greeted by happy, smiling faces. Thank you for making me feel so welcome in my first few days!

Our newsletter is going to look a little bit different for a trial period where I will send a video rather than a long written communication to you all every 2 weeks. I will however make sure that the key content of the video - important dates and reminders - are also sent out as a short 'notice board' style letter. So, without further ado, here is your notice board for the next 2 weeks but please do click on the video link too!

Wishing you all a happy and safe weekend,

Anna Lopez
Headteacher

Key dates:

Mon 11 Sept to Thurs 14 Sept –

Reception children in part time

Fri 15 Sept – Reception children in full time

Tues 12 Sept – PTFA meeting at Riverside Church – new members welcome

W/C Mon 16 Oct – Parents' Evenings

Thurs 19 Oct – Individual School Photographs

Fri 20 Oct – Harvest Festival for Reception classes.

Mon 23 Oct to Fri 27 Oct – Half Term

Reminders from the office:

We have a new telephone system and now have a dedicated absence reporting line for informing us of your child's absence outside of office hours – please press Option 1 to leave a message.

Please can we remind parents to book their child's school meal well in advance – this really helps our kitchen to plan efficiently.

A reminder that Breakfast Club places must be booked by 6.00 p.m. the day before the required session and After School Club places must be booked by 8.00 a.m. on the day the session is required. Please note there is an additional charge for late bookings.

Book bags are available from the office. Once purchased through School Gateway you will be able to collect from the school office.

Year 6 Grenville House Residential – just a reminder that full payment is required by 29th September – thank you!

Other things to know:

In order to keep our children safe, we will be locking the gates at 9am and politely ask you to leave the site by this time. If you need to speak to the office you will be able to leave later through the main gate on Buddle Lane.

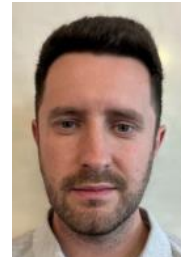
New faces:



Mrs Lopez
Headteacher



Miss Prince
Deputy Headteacher



Mr Luxton
Rashford class
teacher



Miss Courtenay
Ormrod class teacher

Safeguarding:

This half term we will be focusing on 'reporting concerns' with staff and children. If you ever have concerns about the wellbeing of a child please call MASH (Multi-agency Safeguarding Hub) on 0345 1551071 or speak to a member of staff at school.