



October Newsletter 2023

Upper School Playground

Thank you to parents collecting children from our Upper School playground at the end of the day with the new class collection zones. This has proved to be successful for arrangements at the end of the school day and ensures our staff can hand over the children safely. Thank you for your continued support with this.

Amy Young Head Teacher

Defibrillator

We now have a defibrillator located at the school office. These have been provided to all primary schools by the Government as part of a £19 million roll out.

Research shows that when a defibrillator is accessed within 3-5 minutes of a cardiac event, this can increase the chance of survival to hospital discharge from 9% to 50%.

It's particularly important they are available close to sports halls and playing fields that children, young people, and the wider community use daily.

Key Dates



Further dates and information will follow as we continue through the year but please find below an outline of key diary dates.

- 23rd & 24th Oct – Parent Consultations
- Fri 27th Oct – Break up for Half Term
- Mon 6th Nov – PD Day
- Tue 7th Nov – Children return to school
- Fri 22nd Dec – Break up for Christmas
- Mon 8th Jan – PD Day
- Tues 9th Jan – Children return to school.
- Fri 9th Feb – Children break up for Half Term
- Mon 19th Feb – Return to school
- Fri 22nd Mar – Break up for Easter
- Mon 8th Apr – Return to School
- Wed 22nd May – Break up for Half Term
- Thurs 23rd & Fri 24th – PD Days
- Mon 3d June – Return to school
- Fri 19th July – Break up for Summer

Food in school



Children in Key Stage 2 are allowed to bring in a small snack to be eaten at playtime. As part of a drive towards healthy lifestyle habits, we are asking you to only send fresh fruit or vegetables. This will bring Key Stage 2 children into line with Lower School children, who are provided with a daily snack of fresh fruit.

PLEASE DO NOT SEND ANY PRODUCTS IN TO SCHOOL CONTAINING NUTS.

Please remember to give 2 weeks' notice to the school office for any changes to your child's meal arrangements.

School Recycling Schemes

We have a Clothes Bank located outside the school office. We accept reusable clothing, bags, shoes, belts, accessories and non-logo uniform.

All items should be placed in a bag. Not only is this a good way to recycle your unwanted items but it also helps to raise valuable money for our school.

At the school office there is also a battery recycling point for parents please feel free to pop in!

Uniform



Please remember due to the very limited space we have for coats and bags, we only allow children to bring a **school book bag** with them each day. School fleeces are available for purchase. You will be aware of the huge rises in energy costs; this is having a huge financial impact on school, and so we have adjusted heating levels. We hope that, if children are wearing fleeces, this will keep them warm over the winter months. Please note that **only** school **(or plain red)** fleeces will be allowed.

Please ensure that children wear only plain kit in correct school colours (no logos please.)