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Welcome Back

First of all, welcome back to the start of a new academic year. It is fantastic to have all the children back in the school in which I fervently hope will be a smooth year.

There are a few new faces in the school as far as staff are concerned and we welcome to our Teaching Team Miss Alexander in Year 6 and Mrs Crane in Year 5.

We also have new faces in and amongst our classes and warmly welcome those new children and their families who have started with us, having moved from another school.

A very special welcome though to our new EYFS children and their families who have started school for the first time this week. A gentle start for sure—but next week, it'll be full on for them. As brilliant as school is, the novelty does quickly wear off when you're only four years old.

We thought it would be useful over the next few weeks to just point out a few staff to everyone as with such a big school over several sites it can all be a bit confusing. This photo is taken directly from the parents section of the school website so obviously we are all looking our youthful best!

PE

PE starts next week for all classes in the school. PE is obviously a part of the National Curriculum and therefore, it is a statutory requirement for all children that they partake.

PE Kit

For children in Year 1—Year 6

Coloured Polo shirt (available from the school uniform suppliers), linked to the Team that children are allocated to.

Navy blue or black shorts. (A small motif is permissible)

Children must have trainers for P.E. and these must be a change of trainers should your child wear black trainers for school.

Tracksuit - either blue or black.

Swimming Kit

Year 6 only this term.

Boys—Swimming Trunks. (NOT Bermuda type shorts/baggy shorts) TRUNKS please. These are swimming lessons, not a day at the beach.

Girls—One piece swimming costume.

Children with long hair (boys/girls) will need to wear a swimming hat.

EYFS Children

Blue/black shorts (A small motif is permissible)

White polo shirt

Their bare feet or pumps (Not Trainers)

On PE days children should wear their PE kit to school.

Earrings MUST be removed before children come to school unless they are able to do this themselves. School's are not allowed to remove earrings on children's behalf nor are earrings allowed to be taped.

PE Days

EYFS

Tuesday & Thursday

Year 1

Circus - Tuesday and Thursday

Eagles - Monday and Thursday

Roses - Tuesday and Wednesday

Year 2

Romans & Claudius - Tuesday & Wednesday

Mercury - Tuesday & Friday

Year 3

Paxman—Monday and Tuesday

Dutch—Monday and Wednesday

Iceni - Monday and Thursday

Year 4:

Castle - Thursday & Friday

Garrison - Wednesday & Thursday

Cavalier - Monday & Thursday

Year 5

Magnets—Monday and Wednesday

Raewald—Tuesday and Wednesday

Oysters—Wednesday and Thursday

Year 6

All classes—Monday

Lathes & Trinovantes—Tuesday (Swimming)

Cymbeline—Friday (Swimming)

Children should wear their PE kit to school on the days they have PE. The exception to this is swimming for the Year 6 children, as the swimming sessions are not until the afternoon, it is not practical for them to have their swimsuits on all day — not to mention unhygienic!

School Day Timings

Hopefully everyone is getting their head around the new start and finish times for both our school sites.

The information is on our school website but just in case anyone's missed all the newsletters and e-mails, here it is again.

Abbey Field

The School Day School begins at 8.40 a.m. for all children on the Abbey Field Site (Foundation, Year 1, Year 5 and Year 6) and the playground is supervised from 8.30 a.m. when the children will be able to come straight into school.

School finishes at 3.00 p.m. for children in EYFS and Year 1.

School finishes at 3.05 p.m. for children in Year 5 and Year 6.

Town

School begins at 8.50 a.m. for all children on the Town Site (Years 2, 3 and 4) and the playground is supervised from 8.40 a.m. when the children will be able to come straight into school.

School finishes at 3.15 p.m. for all children on the Town Site.

School Dinners and Breakfast Club

Please note that the cost of School Dinners this term is now £2.40 a meal, £12.00 for the week.

The cost of Breakfast Club is also £2.40 a session, £12.00 for the week.

Payments should be made by 'Pay 360 Education Payments' which was previously called Sims Pay.

There are links to this on the school website in 'Parent Information'.

Term Dates

Autumn Term Starts—Thursday 2nd September 2021

Half Term—Monday 25th October—Friday 29th October.

Last day of Autumn Term— Friday 17th December

First Day of Spring Term 2022—Tuesday 4th January

Diary Dates

Kingswood Final Information Meeting (Year 6 Residential) - Thursday 9th September. 5.00p.m. @ AF

Kingswood Residential—Sunday 19th September—Friday 24th September

Year 6 Swimming— starts W/B 13th September (Separate letters will be sent out to Year 6 Parents)

Flu Immunisations—Friday 1st October (Separate Letters will be sent out nearer the time)

Thursday 14th October—Individual School Photographs @ AF

Friday 15th October—Individual School Photographs @ T

Coronavirus Update

The Government has released a new summary document for parents with regards to Coronavirus. Rather cunningly they've called it 'Return to Education Primary School Leaflet'

This is on the Coronavirus page of the school website and will also be an attachment when we send the newsletter out electronically.

This does cover information about school attendance for all children, which is mandatory and what happens if a child or adult tests positive for Coronavirus—the class does not need to isolate.

Well worth a quick read.

Kingswood Final Information Meeting (Year 6)

Year 6 parents—please note the final information meeting is next Thursday @ 5.00p.m. at AF. Separate letters are coming home today for children we have confirmed as going. Please look out for them from where ever your child may have hidden/safely secured them!

The school currently has the following vacancies:

MDA & Breakfast Club Assistant

Mon-Fri

Term time only - excluding non-pupil days

Hourly rate £9.43

Annual salary £2,552.81

If anyone is interested in applying for these positions, please contact either school office for an application form.

'THE CAPACITY TO LEARN IS A GIFT; THE ABILITY TO LEARN IS A SKILL; THE WILLINGNESS TO LEARN IS A CHOICE. (Brian Herbert)