

3rd September 2019

Dear Parents

Welcome back to a new school year; it is also lovely to see so many new faces.

A few reminders you may find useful:-

Doors open at 8.35am, registration is at 8.45am and school finishes at 3.00pm. Breakfast Club and After School Club are available at Bright Sparks, who can be contacted on 559098.

Assemblies are at 2.40pm except Friday Celebration Assembly, which will be at 2.35pm. As always you are invited to all assemblies but particularly the Friday Celebration Assembly.

Please remember we are a NUT FREE ZONE. Please ensure your child does not come to school with any product that contains nuts, including chocolate spread, peanut butter sandwiches, cereal bars, etc. We are also encouraging all children to wash their hands regularly. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Healthy snacks only please (fruit, cheese, etc) at playtime and water in classroom drink bottles, this helps support our Healthy School status (and keeps the ants at bay). We are making a real effort this year especially on "Fruity Fridays".

The children look very smart in their school uniform; to help us help you, please remember to name all items as we had a mountain of lost property at the end of last year including shoes and trainers! Please also remember to send in a PE kit every day – for colder weather children can bring tracksuit type plain black or blue trousers and sweatshirt. Children's earrings need to be removed before they come to school on a PE day. However if your child is unable to remove their earrings, they can be "taped up". You must provide the tape for your child to do this before their PE lesson.

We do try and encourage all children to be as independent as possible so please support them to do this. Please remember all children in Key Stage 2, Years 3 to 6, should be dropped off by the grass outside and then walk into school through the main doors by themselves. Please note children in Years 3 and 4 should **NOT** be left alone until the school doors open at 8.35am and children in Years 5 and 6 should manage their time walking to school. Until 8.35am all children are parents' responsibility.

Please leave any pushchairs outside or "parked" near the entrance lobby, but not blocking doors or corridors.

ALL children in Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a Free School Meal. This year we would like to encourage as many children as possible to have a Free School Meal. A menu from our new school caterers Caterlink for this term has been sent home this week.

For children in Key Stage 2 dinner money should be paid via www.eduspot.co.uk. Please note school dinners must be paid for in advance and not arrears. For full details of how to use the system, or if you are unable to pay online, please speak to the office. The cost of a school dinner is £2.05 per day. However If you think your child may be entitled to Free School Meals, please ask at the school office for the relevant form.

We have scooter and bicycle racks but please remember these are left at your own risk, especially bicycles that are not locked up or if they are left overnight.

As always, thank you for your support and I look forward to another successful year at Summerfields.

Yours sincerely

Head Teacher