



Windermere Primary School

Newsletter 8th September 2023

A word from the Headteacher

Welcome back to the new school year and a special welcome to our new pupils and staff across the school. We have had a week of getting into new routines, working on our class rules, expectations, behaviours for learning and community, and gradually working into our learning. The children have coped remarkably well with the full week and the hot weather, taking advice to seek shade and keeping well hydrated. We will move into our themed assemblies next week and begin our awards assemblies, sharing successes across the school and from home. If you need to contact your child's teacher, please do so briefly at the door in the morning, after school or via an email or call to the office. Please see page 2 for Parenting Support session information.

Wishing you all a good weekend.

Sarah Gilliver

Uniform

Most of the uniform order has now arrived. Please see the office team for any further items required.

Reminder that KS2 (year 3-6) are still able to wear summer uniform until the end of September. While it is still hot, children do not have to wear ties.

There was a lot of uniform left across the school at the end of the summer term, including coats and lots of pairs of shoes. The PTA will be putting this out in due course for you to either claim, gather additional items or make a donation for items. We will confirm when.

Ask Your Child...

This is a way to start to discuss your child's learning. You aren't expected to know the answers.

Reception- What have you enjoyed this week?

Year 1- What does it look like to be ready in Year 1?

Year 2- What is the most important agreement we have made this week?

Year 3 – Name 5 different ways you can make someone feel welcome

Year 4 – What have you enjoyed most about this week?

Year 5 – What shapes did you make whilst blindfolded?

Year 6 – What have I learned about keeping myself safe while using the internet?

PE

All children will need a PE kit which they will all get changed into at school. Please do not send your child into school in their PE kit on PE or non-PE days.

Reception: Thursday

Year 1: Tuesday and Thursday

Year 2: Tuesday and Friday

Year 3: Monday and Thursday

Year 4: Monday and Thursday

Year 5: Wednesday and Swimming Friday

Year 6: Wednesday and Friday

After School Clubs

Our after school care is provided by Junior Adventures Group (JAG). Please see details of booking and activities on their website which can be found at www.junioradventuresgroup.co.uk and selecting after school clubs and choose our school.

Other after school clubs can be booked via School Cloud (separate letter sent Thursday).

Breakfast Club

For those of you who need a slightly earlier start in the morning, our popular breakfast club starts at 7:45am. The cost of breakfast club is £5 per morning (discounts available for PPG pupils), payable in advance or on the day by cash, cheque or card. Please do not drop children off earlier than 7:45am and always ensure they are welcomed into the school building by an adult.

Dates for your Diary:

29th September- Cross Country and PTA Macmillan Coffee Morning (Whole school)

24th-28th October Half Term

30th October INSET day School Closed to pupils

31st October Secondary Transfer Applications close (Year 6)

1st December Occasional Day School Closed

21st December 2023- 5th January 2024 Christmas Holiday

7th January 2024 Children return to school for Spring Term

Accidents

Our youngest children, in particular, sometimes become so engrossed in their work that they have toilet accidents. In line with our intimate care policy, the staff help them to change into clean, dry clothing. If your child does not have their own spare clothes at school, we will find them items to wear, but it is important that these are then washed and returned to school as we find our spare stock quickly becomes depleted. If you have any knickers, pants, socks or tights suitable for KS1, that your child has grown out of, they would be



Parenting Support



PARENTING PUZZLE

Monday 18th Sept - 27th Nov , 10:00 – 12:00 (not 23rd Oct)
The Vineyard, 7 Brick Knoll Park, St Albans, AL1 5UG
FREE 10 Week Course / Creche available

SESSION DETAILS

This course will enable you to understand how emotions can influence actions and offers practical ways of guiding children so that they learn to manage their feelings and control their behaviour. **For parents/carers with children aged 3-11 years.**

HOW TO BOOK

Speak to a team member

MORE INFORMATION

hertsfamilycentres.org
Call us on 0300 123 7572

