



Friday 1st September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a lovely summer break. We are all really looking forward to seeing the children on Monday.

I am writing to provide you with some reminders and information so that we can have a settled and productive start to the new academic year:

Revised timing of the start to the school day

As per the letter sent on 3rd May 2023, the following new arrangements are in place:

- Radcliffe Gardens and Harbury Road gates will now be opened and supervised by a senior leader and/or member of admin staff, at 8.30am. Registers will be taken at 8.40am and so children need to be in their classrooms by this time.
- Any child arriving after 8.40am will be marked as late.
- Both gates will be closed at 8.40am.
- There are no changes to the start and end timings for Nursery i.e. Caterpillars and Dragonflies will continue to start at 8.45am. Therefore, any parents dropping off Nursery children will need to exit via the Harbury path because the other gates will be closed.

Hedgerows

Arrangements will continue as per last year, with our "Hedgerows 4:15" and full session (until 5pm) both available for booking now with Hedgerows reopening on Monday 4th September. Following a Trust review, the cost of the full session will now be £8.00. This is due to increased costs incurred to run the club. There has been no increase to "Hedgerows 4:15".

Uniform

Attached with this Parent Mail is the letter sent to parents on 27th March 2023 regarding school uniform that should be worn. We are looking forward to seeing the children dressed smartly and correctly.



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PE Days

Please find below the days that your child needs to come to school wearing their PE kit:

Class	Autumn Term Days
Otter	Tuesday & Thursday
Squirrel	Wednesday & Thursday
Rabbit	Wednesday & Thursday
Woodpecker	Wednesday & Thursday
Kingfisher	Monday & Thursday
Robin	Wednesday & Thursday
Ash	Tuesday & Friday
Oak	Thursday & Friday
Elm	Tuesday & Thursday
Lime	Wednesday & Friday*
Walnut	Wednesday & Friday*
Maple	Wednesday & Friday*
Beech	Monday & Friday
Rowan	Tuesday & Wednesday
Cedar	Tuesday & Thursday
Sycamore	Wednesday & Thursday
Willow	Monday & Thursday
Chestnut	Wednesday & Friday

**Swimming lessons on a Friday however children should wear school uniform.*

General reminders

- Water bottles and snacks - Years 3 to 6 should bring a healthy snack for mid-morning. This should be fruit or vegetables only please. Infant children have their fruit or vegetable snack provided by the school.
- All children should bring a named water bottle to school each day.
- Children in Year 1 and 2 should refrain from bringing in backpacks. Instead, a book bag is required. Infant children do not need large school bags as we have difficulty storing all of the children's belongings during the school day.
- Reading Diaries are provided each school year and replacements for lost ones can be bought from the office.
- We would be grateful if, over the first half term, all children could bring in a box of tissues and a Pritt Stick for their classroom. This provides a stock to keep classes going throughout the year.
- For children from Year 3 onwards, please provide your child with appropriate stationery in a named pencil case: pencil, rubber and ruler.
- Children in Year 3 work towards achieving their Pen licence when they can use a blue ink pen. On receipt of their Pen Licence, each child will be given their first pen as a 'well done'. We no longer sell handwriting pens from the office so ask that parents purchase these going forwards. Children may use blue gel roller ball pens and not biro please.

Kind regards,



Mrs Louise Wood
Headteacher