

Children starting Year R in September 2021

If your child has been offered a Year R place at our school starting in September, please visit the school as per the timetable below (previously emailed) with your documents (birth certificate or valid passport together with two documents which show your current address). Please can you also fill in the Google Form that has been emailed to you. A reminder that completed registration forms should be placed in the post box on the junior school railings. Many thanks.

AB	Monday 26 April and 10 May 9.30 - 11.45
CD	Monday 26 April and 10 May 1.30 - 2.30
EFGH	Tuesday 27 April and 4 May 9.30 - 11.45
IJK	Tuesday 27 April and 4 May 1.30 - 2.30
LM	Wednesday 28 April and 5 May 9.30 - 11.45
NOP	Wednesday 28 April and 5 May 1.30 - 2.30
QRS	Thursday 29 April and 6 May 9.30 - 11.45
Т	Thursday 29 April and 6 May 1.30 - 2.30
UVW	Friday 30 April and 7 May 9.30 - 11.45
XYZ	Friday 30 April and 7 May 1.30 - 2.30

Year R Children Arriving after 8.55am

If you arrive after 8.55am and the Year R gates have been closed, you need to report to the school office. We have some parents who are arriving late, opening the gates and then either the parents or the child are knocking on the classroom doors and disrupting the learning. They are also not closing the gates properly and this results in staff having to stop teaching to go and check/close the gates.

Breakfast and After School Club Invoices

We have a large number of parents who have not yet paid their breakfast club invoices. These should have been settled in full by now. For the after school club, you should have made a full or partial payment. A reminder that fees are due in advance, and not in arrears and late fees will apply.

I would also like to let you know that as a self-funded club, the club's finances have been significantly impacted by Covid-19. I would hate to have to be in the position where these clubs have to close as they are no longer financially viable and we really need the help of all the parents whose children attend to ensure that their invoices are paid in a timely manner. In this way we can, hopefully, keep both the breakfast and after school club open as I know that these clubs are something that parents rely on.

Year 1 Design Technology: Voluntary Contributions Urgently Needed

This week the children in Year 1 have been learning about where our food comes from, linking with their science topic of plants and finding out all about vegetables. The children have also been designing and making vegetable fajitas.

We did ask for a voluntary contribution to help cover the cost of this but unfortunately we received a disappointing number of contributions. Whilst it is only voluntary, if so few parents contribute we are unable to offer additional learning experiences of a similar nature in the future. If you have simply forgotten, all donations will be gratefully received next week.

Busy Bees

These children received their Busy Bee Stamp this week and this was celebrated in a year group assembly:

Year R: George Bayfield, Harry Boyes, William Brown, George Davis, Isla Hale, Kendall Johnson, Isla McFawn, George Macgrain, Erin Sugrue and Evie Young. Year 1: Darcie Andrews, Darcie Austin-Jones, Oakley Branscombe, Ruby Chadwick, Gabriel Cambrea, Isla Dalgleish, Sienna Gosden, Harper Harris, Hayden Jackson, Bohen Johnson-Ferguson, Willow Kennedy, Isla-Rose Minter, Isaac North, Sonny Smith and Henley Warrington. Year 2: Millie Bayfield, Jude Bakes, Sonnie Ellis, Joseph Murray and Oscar Wright.

Class Reading Challenge: Raffle Winners

I am delighted to let you know that the class winners of this week's raffle were:

- Robins' Class
- Woodpeckers' Class
- Kestrels' Class

Reporting Absence

A reminder that as well as telephoning the school, you can also report your child's absence via a company called **Studybugs** which enables you to go online via a phone or computer to report your child's absence securely. To get the free Studybugs app, or register on their website go to (<u>https://studybugs.com/about/parents</u>). If your child is unwell it is your responsibility to inform the school of this.

INSET Days for Remainder of this Academic Year and Academic Year 2021/2022

- Monday 07 June 2021
- Friday 18 June 2021
- Friday 23 July 2021
- This academic year

Next academic year

- Monday 01 November 2021
- Tuesday 04 January 2022
- Friday 08 April 2022
- Monday 06 June 2022
- Friday 22 July 2022

Please note that the Autumn Term starts on Thursday 02 September 2021

Forest School Sessions:

Timetable for this half term has been sent out. Paper copies are on the notice boards by the North Door and the South Door. You are also able to check the timetable by clicking the following link: <u>Summer A Timetable</u>

Lunch Menu

Next week's menu will be: Week 3. Please click on the following link to access the menu online: <u>menu</u>. Paper copies are on the notice boards by the North Door and the South Door and in Wagtails' Class window.

Yours sincerely

Mrs L A de Carteret Headteacher