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Newsletter 2

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Believe and Achieve

Welcome Back!

A warm welcome back to everyone as we begin a new academic year tomorrow. As stated in the newsletter sent out during August, we continue to be in challenging times but hope that we can try and make the following months as normal as we possibly can for your children.

The school's newsletter will continue to be the main provider of information.

Nearly 99% of parents now receive their newsletter by Parent Mail. If you are not signed up, please contact Mrs Barkby in the office to ensure you get the most up to date information as soon as it is released.

Frequent Questions asked in the last two weeks

Q. Will my child be needing a mask?

A. The school has **no** plans to introduce the wearing of masks. All pupils will be in a "class bubble" for the majority of the day and when they mix within their year group at lunchtime, they will be outside.

Q. Can my child wear a mask if they choose?

A. At this moment the school has made a decision that children should not be wearing masks. If they wear one to school, they will be asked to take it off as soon as the school day starts

Q. Can my child bring in their own school bag with their own equipment, including their water bottles?

A. We are not saying no, we know how much we all love a new pencil case! But there is not a need. All equipment will be provided, as will paper cups to have a drink. If any equipment is brought into school, it must go home every night and we would expect it to be cleaned at home.

Q. Will PE take place and does my child need to bring in their PE kit?

A. Yes PE will take place. We will be ensuring that PE takes place outside where possible and if any equipment is used it will be cleaned after use.

Q. Can I now go to the office?

A. The office will be open to parents but where at all possible we would continue to ask you to ring or email to reduce the chances of cross-contamination.

Q. Will the fruit snack bar be open at breaktime?

A. No, not for the foreseeable future. We will let you know as and when this changes.



GOLD AWARD

Welcome

A warm welcome to Miss Albrighton who joins the school and will be teaching in Year Five.



Family Support Learning Mentor

A reminder that the school is most fortunate in having Miss Elinor Williams as our Family Support Learning Mentor.

Miss Williams supports families to ensure every child is able to achieve their potential. Eli's brief is vast but if you have any concerns or worries about your child which is not directly linked to the work in the classroom, then Eli may be able to support you.

You can contact Eli through the main office or directly on 07468 716926

School Dinners

I have been informed by County Catering that school dinners will remain at £2.25 a day, which is £11:25 for a full week. This includes deli bags.

Please remember that all meals must be paid for in advance on the Monday of the week by using ParentMail. (No cash payments will be accepted)

Reception, Year One and Year Two receive free dinners regardless of their parents financial position. Pupils of course can continue to have sandwiches if they choose.

Free School Meals

Parents and pupils entitled to free school meals no longer have to reapply, but must inform the authority if there are any changes in their circumstances. If you think you might be eligible for free school meals, **especially new Year Three parents**, contact the Customer Service Centre on 01926 359189.

Please remember we have an online payment facility for dinner money through the Parent Mail app. It is very easy to use but if you have any questions Mrs Barkby in the office is more than happy to talk you through the setting up process.

Have you or your family been affected by Covid 19?

If your child has lost someone due to Covid or you have been affected in some other way, please let the school know so we can support and be sensitive to your child's feelings. All information will be treated with confidentiality.

	School Starts	School Ends
Nursery	9:00am	3:15pm
Reception	9:00am	3:15pm
Year 1	9:10am	3:25pm
Year 2	9:10am	3:25pm
Year 3	9:00am	3:15pm
Year 4	9:00am	3:15pm
Year 5	8:50am	3:05pm
Year 6	8:50am	3:05pm