

# Bulletin



Issue 1

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Welcome back!

A very warm welcome back to all our pupils and families for the new academic year. We hope you all had a relaxing summer break and ready for a busy year. We welcome some new members of staff to the team this year:

Miss Lauren Hale—Reception teacher

Miss Holly Birdsall—Y1 teacher

Miss Jody Sowden—Y2 teacher

Miss Dulcie Hale—Y3 teacher

Miss Olivia-Mae Riding—Y4 teacher

Mr Aaron Milliner—Y5 teacher

Mrs Karen Holmes—Y5 teacher

All pupils have had a great start to the new academic year and settled well back into school routines.

## Attendance

You all worked extremely hard with school last year on our attendance and we are delighted to say that our overall attendance for last year was 96.2%. This is an improvement on the previous year's attendance by 0.7% and also puts our attendance above National average of 96%.

We have started a new incentive for whole class attendance this year. Each class will be awarded a piece of 'trivial pursuit pie' if they achieve 96% or above each half term. Each piece of the pie represents an area of learning. If they have achieved the piece of pie they will then be awarded with a visit into or out of school i.e. a visit to a museum, forest school session. This will be funded by school. We look forward to celebrating this with a reward.



## Homework

Following much feedback from parents last year, we have reviewed our homework policy this year. Each child will be provided with a dark green homework book this year. This will be sent home on a Wednesday and be expected to return on a Monday with the exception of Y5 children who will be swimming. Their homework will be sent home on a Thursday and returned on a Tuesday.

On a weekly basis you will receive the following pieces of homework:

- Reading book
- Spellings
- Mental recall of maths facts

Your child's teacher may also send a selection of the following as homework:

- Reading comprehension
- Maths task linked to classroom learning
- Science or topic research or task



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## Behaviour Policy

We continue to have the same values as last academic year and will reward pupils who demonstrate these values each term:

- P** – Presentation
- R** – Responsibility
- I** – Independence
- D** – Determination
- E** – Equality

We also have the following rules:

1. **We strive to succeed**
2. **We never give up**
3. **We look after everyone and everything**

## PE Kit

For PE lessons this year, all pupils are to come into school in their school uniform and change into PE kit in school, with the exception of Y3



Redwing on a Wednesday and Y4 Goldfinch on a Thursday who's PE lesson is at 10am. These two classes will need to change back into uniform following the PE lesson. PE kits may be left in school for the half term in the cloakrooms and returned home for the holidays to be washed.

Just a polite reminder that the PE uniform is as follows:

Green polo shirt

Black shorts/tracksuit bottoms/leggings

Black trainers

Black sweatshirt/zip up for outdoor lessons.

Please remember jewellery must not be worn for PE for health and safety purposes. It is advised that earrings are not worn on PE days as pupils will be requested to remove these themselves.

## Aldi Kits for Schools



Aldi are currently running a scheme where schools can collect stickers for a sports kit and be in with a chance of receiving £20,000 for the school. If you, a family member or a friend shop in Aldi can you please ask them to collect the stickers and hand them in to the school office so that we can claim more sports kits for our school.

If you would like any more information about the scheme, it can be found at <https://www.aldi.co.uk/>

## After School Clubs

We have some exciting After School Clubs taking place this half-term.

Monday 9th September - Film Club Year 3/4/5/6

Monday 9th September - Creative Writing Year 3/4/5/6

Tuesday 10th September - A1 Girls Football for Year 4/5/6

Tuesday 10th September - Lego Club Year 1/2/3/4

Thursday 12th September - Arts & Crafts Year 1/2

Thursday 12th September - Science Rec/Year 1/2

If you would like to register your child for a club please contact the School Office.

## Information

We would like to remind all Parents that the bike/scooter racks are situated outside of the Year 5/6 entrance for all children to use.

Please note that smoking is not permitted on the school grounds and no dogs, except guide dogs, are allowed on the premises.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

## Designated Safeguarding Leads:

Delyth Roberts - Headteacher

Geoff Billing - Deputy Headteacher

Sharon Levey - Pastoral Leader

