

# Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers

## This Week

It was fantastic to welcome our new Nursery and Reception children this week and see all of the our older children moving into their new year groups. I look forward to welcoming the remainder of new Reception children on Monday.

On Tuesday the children attended a Back to School assembly which included speaking about **their** feelings on returning to school. We discussed the social side of school and why it is important to see and make friends. We spoke about exciting things that the children have done and learnt during the holidays. Finally, we discussed the importance of being in school every day and how this can lead to winning prizes at the end of each term.

## School Grounds

Over the summer works were undertaken to house the pumps that power our solar panels. Additional works included painting works and cutting back our wooded area to ensure the children can access the forest schools learning. I am delighted to advise that based on our improved security, the school did not experience any intruder activity over the summer break.

## School Photographs

School photographs will be taken on Wednesday 24th September. Please ensure your child is smart and in full uniform on this day.

## Governors

The Governors and I are meeting next Wednesday afternoon to discuss whole school policy to ensure all the children continue to receive the highest standard of education.

## Staff Training

Next Monday evening all staff will receive Playground First aid Training to ensure the safety of the children during break and lunch times.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards



Mrs K Maguire-Egan  
Head Teacher



Key Dates	
	September
12th	Year 1 only—Pirate Day
18th	Year 2—Great Fire of London Workshop
24th	Class Photos
	<b>Next Non Pupil Day</b> Friday 28th November
Menu	WC 8th September Week 2



## Attendance

From next week, the class with the best attendance will receive an award of extra time in the adventure playground.

## Parent Governor Vacancies

We currently have Parent Governor vacancies within the school. If you would like to find out more information about apply for this exciting role, please make an appointment to see me.

## YEAR 1 ONLY



### PIRATE DAY Friday 12th September

Next Friday the Year 1 children are invited to come to school dressed up as Pirates. Letters have been sent out to parents.

### Weather



Due to the weather being very changeable at the moment, could you please make every effort to keep an eye on the forecast and send your children into school with coats/sun cream.

### Mid Day Assistant Vacancies

We currently have Relief Mid Day Assistant vacancies. If you are interested in applying, please contact the school office.

## Safety at the School Gates

On Mondays and Wednesdays I host staff briefings which means that I am unable to open the gates promptly at 8.20am. I will always open the gates as soon as I possibly can. Please find a safe place to wait.

## Attendance

### Holidays in Term Time

It is essential for you child's education that they attend school every day. Holidays in term time will not be authorised and will progress to a penalty notice fine of £80 per parent. A second holiday offence is £160 per parent and a third offence in a 3 year period would lead to prosecution which will lead to a criminal record.

### Lateness

If your child is late for school this will mean that they have missed important learning, usually their phonics lesson, which will impair their ability to read. When a child is unable to read, this impacts every lesson. If your child is poorly, with a cold or sore throat, we can meet their needs in school and we can administer medication. All medication must be given to the school office and a form completed.



## PE Days

Please make sure your child comes to school in their PE kit on these days. Depending on weather, PE kits should include; shorts and T-shirt, leggings or jogging bottoms and a t-shirt or long sleeved top. All children will need to wear trainers as they are still undertaking outdoor activities.

**PE days are Tuesday-Reception, Wednesday-Year 2, Thursday-Year 1.**

## Reading with your Child

Please make sure you read daily with your child and complete their Reading Diary. Thank you for your support.



## School Gates

A reminder that the school gates open at 8.20am and close at 8.30am. If the gates are closed, please bring your child into school via the school office. Thank you.

## Next Half Term

The last day of school is Friday 24th October. All children are to return on Monday November 3rd.

## School Reminders

**Please make a note of the following reminders:**

- ♦ All children are to come to school with a water bottle containing water only.
- ♦ Packed lunches—please ensure all items such as grapes and tomatoes are cut up. Please also make sure all meat is taken off the bone. Thank you.
- ♦ Please read with your child daily and complete their reading diary.
- ♦ From next week, **the Newsletter will only be available on our website from approximately 3pm every Friday.** Please make sure you look at it each week as it contains useful information and dates.

