



Junior Academy

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Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to the new school year! I hope that you have had a happy and safe summer break and enjoyed time with your families.

It has been lovely to see the children back in school looking very smart in their uniforms. They have settled well into their new classes and are already making their teachers proud!

P.E.

P.E. lessons begin next week, so please make sure your child has their full P.E. kit in school. Pupils in Y3/4 will be going to the Queen's Park Leisure Centre for swimming lessons as part of the PE curriculum. Swimming starts on Thursday 21st September and children will need their swimming kit in addition to their school PE kit from this date. Children will leave school at 10.30 am and return in time for lunch.

Could we please ask that **all items of P.E. kit and uniform are clearly labelled** – it makes it so much easier to find and return missing items to the correct owners!

Attendance

We continue to promote and celebrate excellent attendance and punctuality through the academy, and cannot stress the importance of this on a child's learning, achievements and social and emotional development. We ask for your continued support in ensuring your child attends school, on time every day, and in ensuring holidays are not taken during term time. More information regarding term time holidays and attendance monitoring procedures will be sent out in a following letter.

After school clubs

After school clubs will start on Monday 11th September. After school clubs on offer this term are:

Monday – KS2 Football Club (Year 3-6) (delivered by 2B Sports Coaching)

Tuesday – Film Club (Reception – Y6)

Wednesday – Mindfulness Club (Reception – Y6)

Thursday – Multi-Sports Club (Reception – Y6)

A link will be sent by text to sign up for after school clubs. We do our best to meet everyone's wishes but places are limited so, unfortunately, it is not always possible to do so. In these circumstances, we will add your child to a reserve register and offer places should they become available throughout the term. Please look out for a text which will confirm your places.

We know that after school clubs help with childcare but we urge you not to depend on them as sometimes, due to unforeseen circumstances, clubs may need to be cancelled with little notice.



INSET Days for 2023/2024

22nd Dec 2023

24th May 2024

1st July 2024

Diary Dates for Autumn Term

Please see below a few diary dates for the Autumn Term.

- 13th Sept 2023 – Ukulele Lessons begin for Y5 & 6
- 21st Sept 2023 – Swimming Starts for children in Years 3 & 4
- 27th Sept 2023 – Phonics morning for Reception parents – 9 am
- 29th Sept 2023 – Macmillan Coffee Morning
- 25th Oct 2023 – Curriculum Celebration for parents - 2.45pm
- 26th Oct 2023 – PTA Halloween Disco (Rec/KS1 3.15-4.15, KS2 4.30-5.30)
- 27th Oct 2023 – Last day of HT1
- 13th Nov 2023 – Parents' Evening
- 15th Nov 2023 – Parents' Evening
- 17th Nov 2023 – Children in Need
- 8th Dec 2023 – PTA Christmas Fair
- 12th Dec 2023 – EYFS Nativity (am)
- 12th Dec 2023 – Y1/2 Nativity (pm)
- 13th Dec 2023 – EYFS Nativity (am)
- 13th Dec 2023 – KS2 Carol Concert (pm)
- 14th Dec 2023 – Y1/2 Nativity (am)
- 14th Dec 2023 – KS2 Carol Concert (pm)
- 20th Dec 2023 – Parent Craft Morning – 9 am
- 21st Dec 2023 – Last day of HT2

If you have any worries or concerns about anything, please do not hesitate to come and speak to us.

Yours sincerely

Leica Carter
Principal