



Newsletter

Autumn first half 2018



Dear families and friends,

Welcome to a new school year. I hope you had a relaxing break and made the most of the beautiful weather?

Y3 seem to be settling in well and finding their way around. Parents and carers, please feel free to come in to school with your children during this first term to help them settle in the morning. You will need to have left the classrooms by 8.55 as the gates will be closed at this time.

Wake up Shake up has been a success this week and will be available every morning on the playground from 8.30-8.45. If parents and siblings also wish to join us—please feel free to do so! Our free breakfast club is also a big success. Could I please remind families that although this is a free service available for everyone, places do need to be booked so we can ensure we have enough food and staff!

As we have grown so much over the past two years I know that drop off and collection times are hectic, but can I please remind you that the roads surrounding our school are permit free should you need to park. I urge you to not park on the pavement on Waterworks road or over the zig zags outside the school entrance or obstructing our neighbours driveways. We try hard to keep our school safe for our children entering and leaving the site.

I also remind parents that mobile phone use is not allowed on site and neither is smoking. Please smoke away from our school gates so we can play away from smoke!

Lastly, younger children are welcome to play on our equipment at the end of the school day with the understanding that they are supervised by you as we cannot guarantee staffing on the playground at the end of the day.

We will say a sad farewell to Mr Wild at the end of this half term. He will be very much missed by staff and children. After half term Mr Johnson and Miss Richardson will be teaching Armes class and Miss Denney and Mrs Catlin will be teaching Nelson.

Diary Dates:

Monday 15th October—Individual School Photos

Friday 14 December Christmas lunch/jumper day

Wednesday 17 October—Last Day of Term

Tuesday 18 December— Carol Service St Barnabas Church—Families welcome,. Time tbc

Monday 29 October—First Day of next term

Friday 9th November - Remembrance Day Service at St Barnabas 2pm

w/c Mon 3 December Parent Teacher Meetings

We follow the Norfolk County Council term dates model to ensure least disruption for families with children at more than one school.

Wednesday 5 December—Science Fair

Y6:

It's a busy term for parents if you have a child in Y6 with open evenings for high schools! A letter was sent out earlier this month with all the dates and times for high school open evenings.

Please be aware of the following dates:

Wednesday 31st October is the deadline for high school applications.

Parent Helpers required

We are seeking parent/family helpers for our Tuesday afternoon options session. If you are interested in helping with either art, sewing or building a Goblin racing go-kart then please leave your name with the school office or speak to a member of the SLT on the gate in the morning. There are about 16 children in each group and they are a mix of Y3, 4, 5 and 6. Each session is led by a member of the school staff so you would be supporting that. The sessions run from 1.15 pm—3.15 pm every Tuesday.

Cycling:

If your child cycles to school please ensure their bike is road worthy and that they wear a cycle helmet. Bike sheds will be locked at 9am and opened at 3pm. If your child is late in the morning, their bike will not be locked in the bike shed.

School Lunches:

Please can we ask that all school lunches are paid for in the week that they are taken. If a debt is accrued you will be asked to supply a packed lunch from home until the balance is clear. If you think that you are entitled to free school meals please speak to the school office who can give you an application form. School lunches can be paid for on our online system www.schoolmoney.co.uk. You can register using your mobile phone number or email address that you have given the school. If you would like a password reminder, please speak to the school office