



Dear Parents

What an exciting first week back in school! The children have really enjoyed being back as a whole school sharing lunch and breaktimes with their friends.

I have had so many positive comments about how smart the children look in their new PE uniform, if you have not been able to buy a plain t-shirt yet in your child's house colour please do so soon. The link to purchase t-shirts is below.

Classes have been working hard to think about their shared set of class values this week and how they can work together as a team and support each other this year.

We are all feeling very positive about our year ahead. If you do need to pass a message to your child's class teacher in the morning please see the member of staff on the gate.

Lauren Murrey

Staffing

We are delighted to welcome Miss Josephs as our new school cook, she has settled in really well already to her new role. Miss Plumridge has also joined our team at After School Club. Miss Plumridge is a Teaching Assistant at Wootton by Woodstock and will be supporting at After School Club on a Monday and Wednesday. Miss Barnhill will lead After School on a Monday, Wednesday and Thursday with Mrs Roberts leading on a Tuesday. Mrs Guy will support with After School Club on a Thursday. We are really grateful for our Teaching Assistants working flexibly to support us to continue to run After School Club.

Snack

Just a reminder please that children in Harborne and Rousham should bring fruit/vegetables or a healthy snack e.g. cereal bar or crackers/breadsticks for breaktime. Children in Medcroft and Nethercote do not need to bring a snack, school are provided with fruit for these classes.

Parent Survey

Many thanks to those parents who completed our parent survey the feedback was really valuable and helps shape our priorities for the year ahead. The parent survey feedback will be shared with our Local Governing Body at their first meeting in September.

Save the Date—Sports Day

This year we will be returning to our usual Sports Day format on the afternoon of Monday 4th July with our reserve day of Wednesday 6th July. Please add these to your diaries.

Student Information Sheets

Please can you check all the information on the forms that children brought home last week, amend as necessary, and return them to school by **Friday 17th September**. It is critical that we have the most up to date contact details, medical information and parent consent details at the start of the school year. If any of your details change throughout the year please email the changes to the office, Office.3144@tackley.oxon.sch.uk so we can update them appropriately.

Parents Information Evenings

As communicated yesterday, all class information for the term will be shared with you by the end of the day today and you are invited into school to see the classrooms and meet the teachers on Tuesday from 3:00—3:45. The meetings detailed on the Really Useful Card will not happen.

Uniform

Coloured PE t-shirts can be ordered from Amazon by following this link <https://www.amazon.co.uk/Fruit-Loom-Childrens-Value-Cotton/dp/B00V3IB22S?th=1>

The colours for each house are: Copse: Sunflower Grove: Royal Blue Heath: Red Spinney: Kelly Green



School Lunch Ordering

Thank you for your support in our change to pre-ordering lunches which went very smoothly this week.

Please remember that school lunches have to be ordered via ParentPay by **midnight of the Tuesday the week before the order week**.

For w/c 20th September, orders need to be completed on ParentPay by midnight on Tuesday 14th September.

If lunches are booked on days that we subsequently arrange a school trip on, e.g. the Science Oxford trip on 30.10.21, they will be cancelled and you will not be charged for them unless you request a school packed lunch. School packed lunches are free for Free School Meal children and Medcroft and Nethercote children (through the Universal Infant Free School Meal entitlement scheme).

School lunches, nursery sessions and trips will continue to be detailed and payable via ParentPay. Payments can be completed in advance with each lunch/session deducted daily. Please check and complete payments by the end of each week to ensure your account is not in debt.



Pupil Premium

Did You know we may be able to claim an additional £1,345 to support your child’s learning and development? Details are on the website: <https://tackley.oxon.sch.uk/pupil-premium-parents-information-leaflet-2021/> . . If you would like us to check if you are eligible for this please email the school office with your national insurance and date of birth details, Office.3144@tackley.oxon.sch.uk .

After School Club

Our After School Club runs from 3:00—5:00 on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Ad-hoc bookings as well as regular bookings can be completed. Advanced and regular bookings can be made via this link using Microsoft Forms. <https://forms.office.com/r/T5DP0h0MCT> . If you make a late booking (within 24 hours of the date) please also email the school office with details: Office.3144@tackley.oxon.sch.uk .

Church Services

This term we will resume attending St Nicholas Church for Harvest, Christingle and Christmas Services led by Reverend Marcus. Unfortunately this year, due to ongoing COVID restrictions at the Church, parents will not be able to attend these services. They will all take place in the school day.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND CERTIFICATES

All children (except Nursery) have received a new reading record book this term. Reading achievements will also be shared in our newsletters.

VALUES	Medcroft	Nethercote	Harborne	Rousham
10th Sept	Emily R	Percy M	Noah M-K	Selina K and Millie O’S

PTA

The PTA would like to offer a warm welcome to all new parents this term. We hope your children are settling in well. We have a PTA meeting next Tuesday 14th September in the school hall at 7pm. If you’d like to come and say hi and get a sense of what we do, we’d love to see you. No signing up required!

BAGS2SCHOOL

Bags2School is one of our PTA initiative to raise funds for the school. Our collection this term is **Wednesday 22nd September**. Bags2School are no longer providing bags for this, items can be donated in any plastic bag. Items that can be donated are: adults’ and children’s clothing, paired shoes, hats, belts, handbags, soft toys, bedding, curtains and towels. Please put the date in your calendar—bags can be left outside our main reception area between 8.30-9.00 on Wednesday 22nd September (not before).



EASY FUNDRAISING

Please sign up to this as it’s the easiest way to make money for the school - www.easyfundraising.org.uk . If you download the reminder button, it’s even easier still!