

Thoughts from the headteacher

After a very busy term, on behalf of the staff and governors, I would like to wish you all a very restful summer break.

We look forward to welcoming you back on Tuesday 5th September 2023.

> Kind regards, Mrs Dunn

Goodbye and Good Luck to our Year 6 pupils

We would like to wish all of our year 6 pupils the best of luck as they move onto secondary school. They have worked really hard this year and have been fantastic role models for the rest of the school. We will miss you all!

School Meal Price Increase

From 1st September 2023, the cost of a school meal will increase from £2.41 to **£2.53** (£12.65 per week).

Payment for school meals should be made in advance.

Designated Safeguarding Leads

Please be reminded of the safeguarding leads in school:

Mrs Dunn – Designated Safeguarding Lead Miss Finnigan – Deputy Lead Mrs Richardson – Deputy Lead Mrs Minton – Deputy Lead

Our Safeguarding and Child Protection policy can be found on the school website: https://greathamceprimary.org.uk/policies

Uniform

Acceptance of the school's uniform policy forms part of the home – school agreement and we would appreciate parent/carer support. Wearing the correct school uniform helps children to feel prepared and feel a sense of belonging.

Children will continue to come to school in PE kit (navy shorts/bottoms and white/navy tops) on their allocated PE days. You will be notified of these days via Seesaw through the class newsletter. Branded kit or football shirts are not permitted. Many thanks for your continued support.

ParentPay Balances & School Meals

Please ensure that all balances for school meals, breakfast club, after school clubs and wraparound care are cleared before Friday 21st July 2023.

Payment for clubs should be made in advance.

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IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

	Calendar
Monday 4 th September 2023	PD Day - school is closed to children
Tuesday 5 th September 2023	School re-opens
Tuesday 5 th September 2023	Class 1 parent meeting 3.30pm
Tuesday 5 th September 2023	Class 2 parent meeting 4.15pm
Wednesday 6 th September 2023	Class 3 parent meeting 3.30pm
Thursday 7 th September 2023	STAFF TRAINING 3.30pm – NO AFTER SCHOOL
	CLUBS RUNNING TODAY
Friday 8 th September 2023	Class 4 parent meeting 3.30pm
Tuesday 12 th September 2023	Year 3 and 4 swimming lessons start (am)
Thursday 28 th September 2023	School Nurse drop in session
Tuesday 10 th October 2023	Flu Immunisations
Friday 13 th October 2023	School Photographs
Monday 16 th October 2023	Parent Consultations 3.30pm to 6.30pm
Tuesday 17 th October 2023	Parent Consultations 3.30pm to 5.30pm
Thursday 26 th October 2023	School Nurse drop in session
Friday 27 th October 2023	Last day - school closes for half term
Monday 6 th October 2023	School re-opens
Friday 27 th October 2023	Harvest Festival Church Service
Friday 10 th November 2023	Class 4 worship – 9am
Friday 17 th November 2023	Class 3 worship – 9am
Thursday 23 rd November 2023	School Nurse drop in session
Friday 24 th November 2023	Class 2 worship – 9am
Friday 1 st December 2023	Class 1 worship – 9am
Tuesday 12 th December 2023	Pantomime at Billingham Forum
Thursday 21 st December 2023	School Nurse drop in session
Thursday 21 st December 2023	Christingle – Church Service 9am
Thursday 21 st December 2023	Last day - school closes for Christmas holidays
Monday 8 th January 2024	School re-opens
Thursday 25 th January 2024	School Nurse drop in session
Friday 16 th February 2024	Last day - school closes for half term
Monday 26 th February 2024	School re-opens
Thursday 29 th February 2024	School Nurse drop in session
Thursday 21 st March 2024	School Nurse drop in session
Wednesday 27 th March 2024	Last day – school closes for Easter holidays
Monday 15 th April 2024	School re-opens
Thursday 25 th April 2024	School Nurse drop in session
Monday 6 th May 2024	Bank holiday – school is closed
Wednesday 22 nd May 2024	Last day – school closes for Whitsun
Monday 3 rd June 2024	School re-opens
Friday 21 st June 2024	Feast Church Service 9am
Thursday 27 th June 2024	School Nurse drop in session
Thursday 18 th July 2024	School Nurse drop in session
Tuesday 23 rd July 2024	Last day – school closes for summer holidays

School Swimming

As part of the curriculum, children in Year 3 and 4 will take part in swimming lessons at Mill House Leisure Centre on Tuesday mornings. The lessons will start on 12th September 2023.

Please ensure your child brings a swimming kit to school which comprises of:

A black or navy one-piece swimsuit, fitted shorts (trunks), a towel and a swimming cap – these are available from school at a cost of £1 – payable on ParentPay.

Changes to booking for Breakfast & ASC

The process for booking into breakfast and after school clubs will be changing in September 2023. Further information will be sent out in September.

All balances must be cleared for the new academic year.

Wizard of Oz

A huge thank you to all the parents, carers and grandparents who attended the KS2 performance, Wizard of Oz. The children and staff worked so hard putting the performance together and we are so proud of how they all performed. It was enjoyed by all!



School Day 2023-2024

The school gates open at 8:40am every day.

Lessons start at 8:45am.

The gate will close at 8:50am.

School will finish at 3:15pm every day.

Mrs Minton & Mrs Jackson's After School Clubs

Monday – Computer Activities Club Tuesday – Musical night (singing, dancing, musical instruments) Wednesday – Clay craft, models, painting Thursday – Badminton/table tennis Friday – Outdoor/indoor play and games

> TA Led Clubs (starting w/c 11th September 2023) 3.15pm to 4pm

Monday – Storytelling – Nursery & Reception Monday – Dodgeball – Years 1 & 2 Monday – Mindfulness – Year 4, 5, 6 Tuesday – Music Performance Year 1, 2, 3, 4 Wednesday – Tag Rugby Year 5 & 6 Thursday – Science club – Year 3, 4, 5, 6 (lunchtime) Friday – Football Mr Rodgers Years 3, 4, 5 & 6

Consent letters will be sent out week commencing 5th September 2023.

Carlton Outdoor Adventure

A reminder about the Carlton residential taking place on Wednesday 22nd November to Friday 24th November 2023. The balance of £146 must be paid by week ending 29th September 2023 on ParentPay. You can pay in instalments (weekly or monthly) or in full.

School Photographs

Phototronics will be in school on Friday 13th October 2023 from 8.30am – if you wish for younger siblings to have family photographs, please call into main reception on the day.