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Newsletter



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Dear Parents

Welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely summer. It is great to see all the children looking so smart in their new uniforms – Thank you!

Work continued in school during the holidays and we would like to say a big thank you to all the staff and especially our Premises Officer, Mr Whitmore, for all his hard work getting the school ready for our return.

DINNERS

If you have informed the school that your child will be having either a school dinner or packed lunch, could you please ensure that you do not change these arrangements Monday – Thursday without giving the office at least one week's notice. If your child does bring a packed lunch and would like to have a dinner on a Friday (chip day) you are able to notify and pay at the office on the Monday morning of that week. All dinner money should be paid on a Monday morning please (KS2 children £11.00 per week, £2.20 per day).

Could you please ensure that your child's packed lunch does not contain nuts, or any food containing nuts. Thank you.

Please note next week chip day will be on Thursday, due to the KS2 trip on Friday.



SNACKS

Your child is able to bring a small snack to eat at break time. This can either be a cereal bar or a small piece of fruit. Please ensure that you do not send anything containing chocolate or nuts.



OUTDOOR PE SESSIONS & FOOTBALL EQUIPMENT

The children in Years 1-6 will be participating in a lot of outdoor PE this year. All children in these classes will need football boots and shin pads for activities on the field and please include a dark coloured t-shirt for these sessions, as it can get extremely muddy!

Football boots and shin pads are ESSENTIAL if your child is taking part in any football sessions. For your child's safety, they will not be permitted to take part if they have not got these items in school.

GENERAL PROCEDURES REMINDER

As usual, I would like to remind you about general procedures that will make life easier for everyone.

- Children with diarrhoea and/or vomiting should be kept off school until at least 48 hours after their symptoms have stopped.
- Please ensure that your child has the right equipment each day. Letters will be coming out shortly from your child's class teacher which will give details about PE days and curricular activities your child will be doing this term. PE kits should be kept in draw string bags to help keep cloakrooms tidy. Please bring them on a Monday and leave them at school for the week. If it is possible to avoid other bags, particularly large rucksacks, we would be grateful. Our PE kit is a white t-shirt and black shorts.
- Please ring the school if your child is to be absent so that we know that he/she is safe. Also let the teacher or office know reasons for any absences so that unauthorised absences can be avoided. If you intend to take your child on holiday during the term a form will need to be collected from the office and completed. I will review each individual case on its own merits, taking into account your child's attendance – any days not granted will unfortunately be unauthorised. We understand that cost sometimes means that these holidays are unavoidable; however it can result in your child missing valuable learning opportunities which can sometimes not be repeated. Please think carefully before booking a holiday during term time.
- Dinner money is now priced £2.20 per day and £11.00 per week. Please send this to school on a Monday morning. All cheques to be made payable to Glenmere Primary School.
- If you have any concerns or complaints you must speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance. If the issue is not resolved then please make an appointment to speak to Mrs Conlon, Head of School.
- If you have any concerns relating to your child's Special Educational Needs, speak to your child's class teacher. The issue may then be passed onto Mrs Dorrington, our school SENCo.
- If you have concerns relating to any incidents which may have occurred over the lunch time period, once again, speak to your child's class teacher who may then refer the matter to Mrs Carton who oversees Lunch times.
- Please send all money in an envelope, clearly marked on the front with your child's name and what the money is for.
- Help us to keep your children safe by avoiding driving up the drive at the start or end of school. Please do not use the gateway as a turning point.
- The wearing of jewellery is not permitted in school except for stud earrings which must be removed by the child before PE and swimming.
- Please ensure that if your child needs an inhaler or epipen that one is sent into school clearly marked with your child's name and instructions for use.
- Please ensure that you inform the office if you have a change in contact details.

READING AWARDS

At the end of the Summer Term 40 children from Years 2-5 went to watch The Smurfs at the Odeon Cinema as a reward for completing their reading passports. This year we will be running the Reading Awards again and we will be rewarding the children in the same way.

To ensure we are kept up to date with the reading your child does at home, could you please ensure that their Reading Record and Passport is kept up to date and signed. This is especially important for our older children who may read to themselves. Thank you.



RESIDENTIAL TRIP & PRODUCTION ARRANGEMENTS

The Beaumanor Residential trip usually takes place in the Autumn Term for the children in Year 5. It has now been decided that the trip will take place in the summer term for the children in Year 6. The next residential will be held in the Summer Term 2019 for our current Year 5 children (who will then be in Year 6).

It has also been decided that, after this year, we will not be holding a Year 6 End of Year Production. This decision has been made as we feel that Year 6 is an extremely busy year for the children and staff as they prepare for their SATs exams and for transition to their new schools and the production puts added pressure on the children.

The children in our current Year 5 class will hold their production at the end of the Spring Term next year, instead of in Year 6. After which our Year 5 Productions will be held at the end of the Academic Year.

PUPILS ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to Ace B., Year 5, who has excelled in tennis during the summer. He has gained 2nd place in tournaments held in Derby and Queniborough. He also came 11th in the County Tennis Championships final held last weekend. Well done Ace, a brilliant achievement. Keep up the good work!



Congratulations to Seamus C., Year 5, who has recently won tennis tournaments in Derby, Queniborough, Ashby, Sutton Coldfield and Nuneaton. Seamus also came 2nd in the County Tennis Championships final held last weekend. Well done Seamus what fantastic results!



PROVISIONAL DIARY DATES 2017/2018

PLEASE NOTE THAT ANY NEW DATES OR AMENDMENTS WILL BE SHOWN IN RED.

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| <p>Week commencing Mon 4th Sept Wednesday 6th September Friday 8th September Thursday 14th Sept Thursday 14th Sept Friday 15th September Friday 15th September Saturday 30th September</p> | <p>Morning, Lunchtime, and After School Clubs commence Year 5 Swimming Starts 10.00-10.30am Years 3,4,5,& 6 Trip to The Victory Show Educational School Day Year 6 Assembly Wigston Schools Cross Country Year 6 Swimming Starts 1.30-2.00pm Whole School Cross Country Prestwold Hall Cross Country</p> |
| <p>Tuesday 3rd October Thursday 5th October Thursday 5th October Tuesday 10th October Wednesday 11th October Thursday 12th October 16th-20th October Thursday 26th October Saturday 28th October</p> | <p>Full Governing Body Meeting Year 5 Class Assembly Wigston Schools Cross Country 3.45 pm Parents' Evening Parents' Evening School Photographer – Individual Photos Mid term break Maths Afternoon Prestwold Hall Cross Country</p> |
| <p>Thursday 2nd November Thursday 9th November Tuesday 21st November Wednesday 22nd November p.m Thursday 23rd November a.m Saturday 25th November</p> | <p>Year 4 Class Assembly Wigston Schools Cross Country Years 1,2, & 3 Snowdome Winter Wonderland Trip Reception Xmas Play Reception Xmas Play Prestwold Hall Cross Country</p> |
| <p>Week Commencing Mon 4th December Thursday 7th December Tuesday 12th December Wednesday 13th December p.m Thursday 14th December a.m Monday 18th December p.m Tuesday 19th December p.m Wednesday 20th December</p> | <p>Morning, Lunchtime and After School Clubs finish Years 1 & 2 Trip to Beaumanor Hall – Victorian Christmas Reception Trip to Conkers Winter Wonderland KS1 Xmas Play KS1 Xmas Play KS1 Xmas Party KS2 Xmas Party School closes</p> |
| <p>Tuesday 9th January 2018 Thursday 18th January Thursday 25th January</p> | <p>School Opens Literacy Afternoon Year 3 Assembly</p> |
| <p>Thursday 8th February 12th-16th February</p> | <p>Year 2 Assembly Mid term break</p> |
| <p>Tuesday 6th March Thursday 8th March Wednesday 14th March Thursday 15th March Friday 16th March Friday 23rd March</p> | <p>Full Governing Body Meeting Year 1 Assembly Parents' Evening Parents' Evening Year 6 Trip to Warning Zone School Closes</p> |
| <p>Monday 9th April Thursday 12th April Thursday 26th April</p> | <p>School Opens Family Day Reception Class Assembly</p> |
| <p>Monday 7th May 28th May-1st June</p> | <p>May Day Bank Holiday Mid term break</p> |
| <p>Monday 4th June Thursday 7th June a.m. Friday 8th June a.m. Thursday 14th June Tuesday 19th June Tuesday 26th June Wednesday 27th June</p> | <p>Teacher Day (School Closed to children) KS2 Sports Day KS1 Sports Day Science Afternoon Full Governing Body Meeting Wigston Academy Induction Day for Year 6 Wigston Academy Induction Day for Year 6</p> |
| <p>Tuesday 3rd July Wednesday 4th July Thursday 12th July</p> | <p>Year 6 Production Year 6 Production School closes</p> |