

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 13th September: Year 4 Swimming begins
Wednesday 14th September: FOBs AGM 7.30pm
Thursday 15th September: Y5 Residential Evening 7pm
Friday 30th September: Grandparents Day 9.30-11.30 and afternoon performances at 1.30pm and 2.30pm
Thursday 13th October: Tempest Individual Photos
Thursday 20th October: Parents Evening 4pm-6.30pm
Friday 21st October: Stand up to cancer dress down day £1 donation
Tuesday 25th October: Parents Evening 3.30-6pm
Monday 24th –Friday 28th October: Roald Dahl 100th Birthday celebrations
Friday 28th October: Break up for half term/ dress up as a Roald Dahl character

We've had a fantastic first week back at school. It has been wonderful to see all the children (and teachers!) come back with such enthusiasm. Thank you for coming along last week to our welcome sessions. We've had lots of positive comments about how useful the sessions were and some parents even came along twice!

As most of you will now have seen, the nursery opened on Wednesday and it is looking fantastic. The children are particularly enjoying the outdoor environment at the back on the building – the mud kitchen is a huge hit!

Reception Classes

The reception children have settled into school very quickly and have had a super first three days. We would like parents to try and leave their child at the reception gate next week so we can establish the routines for them as quickly as possible. It would also be extremely helpful if reception parents could discuss the lunch menu choices with their child each morning.

Home-school diaries

Unfortunately there was a printing error in the Key Stage 1 diaries and therefore there is a small delay. As soon as we receive them we will be sending them home. All Key Stage 2 parents must ensure their contact details are in the front of the diary and that the home-school agreement page has been signed. These contact details are essential if our electronic systems fail. Many thanks in advance.

Year 1 Entrance

The area around the nursery and the Year 1 entrance is very busy and can become congested. When waiting to drop off or pick up your child please ensure there is enough space for parents to walk through this space. The Year 1 teachers have requested that parents stand a little further back from the Year 1 door to allow them to see parents and safely handover their child.

A reminder: If you do **not** wish your child's image to be used (Facebook/ Twitter/ Website) then it is very important you share this information with your child's teacher. If your child (KS2 only) is allowed to walk home please write a note in their diary to give consent. Without this your child will not be allowed to walk home alone.

Dates for your diary:

Monday 7th November: Children return
Tuesday 13th December: KS1 Nativity 10am pre-schooler / babies allowed
Wednesday 14th December: KS1 Nativity 2pm NO pre-schoolers/ babies allowed
Thursday 15th December: KS1 Nativity 10am NO pre-schoolers babies allowed
Tuesday 20th December: KS2 Church Service 1.30pm
Wednesday 21st December: KS2 Church Service 6.30pm
Thursday 22nd December: Break up for Christmas/ dress down day

Year 4 Swimming

Swimming will begin this Tuesday afternoon for Year 4 children. Please ensure their swimming kit is with them in the morning.

Year 5 Residential Evening

Year 5 parents are invited to a talk about next year's residential at 7pm on Thursday. If you cannot make it then the information packs are now on the Y5 website [page](#).

Year 5 & 6 Walking Challenge

Children in Year 5 & 6 will be set a physical challenge on Friday 7th October from 4pm-6pm to raise funds for our first charity-Retrak. Please save the date and there will be more details coming soon.

Roald Dahl Dressing up Day

On Friday 28th October there will be a Roald Dahl themed dressing up day. We look forward to seeing lots of phizz-whizzing costumes!

Please can we also remind parents that:

- Children should not be riding scooters or bikes across the playground.
- The KS2 Adventure playground is designed for older children and we are only insured if a teacher is supervising the equipment (which we do carefully at break times). Please do not allow your child to play on the equipment before or after school.
- We have had some complaints about parking around the school. Please be considerate to all our neighbours when dropping or picking up your child. Please do not park on corners as this risks children's safety.

Thank you to all the Year 4 children and parents who came along to the Heritage Day on Saturday. The event was to celebrate 1000 years since Canute's crossing. We were really proud of our mini-Vikings!

