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Dear Parents

Welcome to the start of a new academic year, hope you have had a lovely summer.
Please find below information relating to this term.

Breakfast Club

Just a reminder that we run a Breakfast Club in School, this runs every morning from 8am - 8.45am. The price for each session is £2.50 per child or for a full week it is at a reduced price of £10.00 per child. Registers will be entered onto Parent Pay on a Friday, could you please arrange payment before the start of the following week.

School Dinner

School dinner costs have increased to £2.05 per day for Class 2 children, Class 1 children receive a free school meal. Meal registers will be entered onto Parent Pay on a Friday, could you please arrange payment before the start of the following week.

After School Club

We will be continuing After School Clubs this term, with some changes.
If your child is interested in any of these clubs could you please complete the consent form recently sent out. If for some reason your child is unable to attend a session, could you please inform us so we could alter the register for that day and no payment will be added to your child's Parent Pay account. Club registers will be entered onto Parent Pay on a Friday, could you please arrange payment before the start of the following week.

Please note clubs will start Monday 9th September and run up until Thursday 24th October.

Swimming Lessons

Class 2 - Year 3,4,5,6

Swimming will continue from Friday 6th September 2019, bus will collect pupils at 9.40am, lessons will be 10.00am to 11.00am and pupils will return to school before lunch. Dates are:

- Friday 6th September 2019
- Friday 13th September 2019
- Friday 20th September 2019
- Friday 27th September 2019
- Friday 4th October 2019
- Friday 11th October 2019
- Friday 18th October 2019
- Friday 25th October 2019

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Class 1 - Reception, Year 1, Year 2

Swimming lessons will commence from Spring Term 2020, dates will follow next term.

As a reminder, please find attached a list of swimming rules and kit information.

On Swimming days, could children please wear easily managed clothing that they could take off and put back on themselves, i.e. no tights for girls. Please remember all jewellery must be removed for swimming lessons.

After School Leagues - off site

This year, our school will take part in after school leagues in various games competing with up to 6 other schools in the area. Class 2 pupils, this term will take part in a Tag Rugby League which will be held at Walsingham Secondary School from 4pm to 5pm. Transport will be provided and parents are welcome to attend. The aim will be to play multiple games on each league date and compete in a league system. Consent letters will be sent out to pupils with further information.

Updates

Could you please notify the school office if there are any change to the following:

- Contact information - address, mobile, landline, work, email
- Collection from school amendments
- Medical or allergy information

Pupil records will be amended accordingly.

Clothing

Could you please ensure that your child brings to school every day the following:-

- a coat
- jumper
- suitable indoor footwear
- suitable outdoor footwear
- a book bag (for homework, letters and other correspondence)
- PE kit can be brought to school on a Monday and collected on a Friday

To help your child and staff, could you please ensure you label all clothing/bags

New Staff

We have two new members of our team - Miss Gledhill, Apprentice Teaching Assistant and Mr Wood, Apprentice Teaching Assistant. We also have a PGCE Student from Sunderland University, Mr Hamam who will be working with Mr Hassan and Class 2 pupils from Monday 9th September to Friday 13th September.





Dates for the diary

Friday 13 th Sept	Class 2 Swimming
Tuesday 17 th Sept	Class 2 Handball Festival further info to follow
Wednesday 18 th	Tag Rugby After School League
Friday 20 th Sept	Class 2 Swimming
Monday 23 rd Sept	Class 2 Residential Trip Kingswood
Tuesday 24 th Sept	Class 2 Residential Trip Kingswood
Wednesday 25 th Sept	Class 2 Residential Trip Kingswood
	Tag Rugby After School League
Thursday 26 th Sept	European Day - school activities
Friday 27 th Sept	Macmillan Coffee Morning, info to follow
	Class 2 Swimming
Wednesday 2 nd October	Tag Rugby After School League
Friday 4 th October	Class 2 Swimming
Wednesday 9 th October	Tag Rugby After School League
Friday 11 th October	Class 2 Swimming
Friday 18 th October	Class 2 Swimming
Thursday 24 th October	Harvest Festival, Churches Together, info to follow
	NHS Flu Immunisation for all pupils
Friday 25 th October	Class 2 Swimming
	School breaks up and returns Monday 4 th November

Further dates may follow once bookings/events have been confirmed.

Thank you

L Cowans

Head Teacher

