



Welcome back to the start of a new school year, I hope everyone has had a good holiday. The children have returned to school looking exceptionally smart and this has been commented on by visitors already.

We have lots of exciting things planned for the year ahead. The first of which is to invite Grandparents in to school to celebrate National Grandparent day on the 28th September, as this is also National Poetry Day this will be a lovely opportunity for generations to work together, more details will follow.

Can I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support

Jacqui Elwis

Headteacher



For all the new pupils joining us this week to let you know that your child will bring home every Friday, a newsletter, a dinner envelope and any other relevant information.

#### PE News

As a school for 2016-17 term we have received the nationally recognised 'Gold Award' Sports Mark for our delivery of PE and participation in a range of events and festivals.

#### Uniform Requirements

Many of you have asked about additional uniform, to meet this demand we have decided to offer the opportunity to place an order for any requirements you may have.

Order forms will be sent out next Friday with the newsletter and will need to be returned by the following Friday 22nd September. Orders should then take no longer than 2 weeks to arrive back in school.

A full list of uniform requirements can be found on our website.

## Years 1-6

Pupils in Years 1-6 will come home today with a data collection sheet and other forms, which we would like you to complete so all details are up to date for your child. These forms need to be returned by Friday 15th September 2017 at the latest. It is important we have upto date contact information, so we are able to get hold of you in the event of an emergency.

There are several consent forms that will be coming home tonight. If you wish your child to participate fully in activities, it is important you complete and return as soon as possible.

Pupils will come home today with a free school meal application form. If your child already receives free school meals, based on income, there is no need to complete this again, however if you feel your child is entitled to free school meals, please complete and return the form and we will check eligibility. We will then confirm back to you if eligible.

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## Milk

Children will be coming home with a milk letter today for you to order milk for the Autumn term. All children under 5 within this period and those receiving free school meals (not those children in Reception and years 1 & 2 ,who receive the Universal Free School Meal). Please return your slip and the correct money by Wednesday 13th September, so we can place the order with the dairy for deliveries to start on Monday 18th September through until 19th December 2017 . All cheques for milk need to be made payable to Stourport Primary Academy.

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## Admin

If you have any paperwork, trip money, dinner envelopes etc. to try and ease congestion at the office they can be put in your child's book bag or posted into the letter box which is located on the pink wall inside the main entrance. This is secure and emptied daily.

The office is open from 8:30am – 4:00pm every week day. If you are reporting a pupil absence, you can text the following number 07937 986 213 prior to 9:30am.

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## Class Catering

The dinner envelope coming home today is for week commencing 18th September 2017 which will need to be returned to school by Thursday 14th September.

Dinner envelopes may not be accepted by the kitchen after the deadline and choices may not be available to your child on the day.

**Just a note that children in Rainbow, Years 1 & 2 are eligible for Universal Free School Meals. Pupils in Year 3 and above are required to pay £2.10 per day unless they are eligible for Free School Meals, which is income related.**

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## Tuck Prices

To encourage healthy tuck we offer the following to all children at break time:

1/2 bagel 40p

1/2 slice of toast 10p

Fruit drink 30p

## Diary Dates

### Key Dates:

#### 28th September 2017

Grandparent Day  
(details to follow)

#### 11-13th October 2017

Year 3 & 4 Residential  
Trip

#### 20th October 2017

School closed to pupils

#### 23rd-27th October 2017

Half Term

#### 4th December 2017

Church Service

#### 5th December 2017

Rainbow Nativity

#### 6th & 7th December 2017

Year 1 & 2 Production

#### 13th & 14th December 2017

KS2 Performance

### A Culture of Safeguarding

#### Our School Values

- Listen to the person speaking to you.
- Follow instructions.
- Work/play without interrupting others.
- Ask to leave the room/playground.
- Take care of all property/equipment and tidy it away.
- Be respectful to others.

Welcome back,

We will be continuing our good work keeping your children safe and learning happily. All the staff will be happy to help you with any worries or concerns you or children might have and if we can't we will find someone who can.

Punctuality gives children a great start to the day.

We are requesting parents of children who are late to take them into their class to help them settle quickly, this is less disruptive for all the children.

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### Activity Corner

From Monday we will be opening our new Activity Corner at play time for children to take part in creative activities. We would be grateful if anyone could donate games, crayons, colouring books, etc. Thank you.

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### Photographer Visit

We have arranged for a photographer to come in next Tuesday to take natural shots of children and staff working around the school. Please ensure pupils come in correct uniform as photos will be used for marketing purposes to help promote the school.

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### School Admissions

If you have a child born between 1st September 2013 and 31st August 2014 an application for a primary school place for September 2018 needs to be made by 15th January 2018 to Worcestershire County Council.

For more information and to apply, visit: [www.worcestershire.gov.uk/school admissions](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/school%20admissions)



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