

Meet the Teacher 2017-18

Timings of the day	<p>KS2 – start time 8.50 am. Reception & KS1 – start time 9.00 am. (KS2 can enter school at 8.40 am and KS1 at 8.50 am).</p> <p>Senior Leadership Team will be at the main gate and back gate every morning.</p> <p>Year 2 – 6 children will be met by Year Leaders who will pass on any messages to class teachers.</p> <p>Reception and Year 1 children will be met by their class teachers.</p> <p>Please make sure you stand behind the orange line when collecting your child/children at the end of the day.</p> <p>Please complete the pick-up list and return as soon as possible – not necessary to ring the office if person is named on your list.</p>
Contact information	<p>Please let the office know of any changes to mobile/home telephone numbers, e-mails and address - it is vital we can contact you in an emergency.</p> <p>Data forms will be sent home soon – please check and return as soon as possible.</p>
Uniform/PE kit	<p>School uniform details can be found on website. Children should wear black shoes, not boots or trainers.</p> <p>Please make sure everything is named – we get lots of lost property with no names.</p>
PE & Daily Mile	<p>PE timetable can be found on school website under “Our school – timings”.</p> <p>Pupils will participate in the Daily Mile every day. Why we are doing it - obesity levels nationally increasing, helps with their emotional wellbeing, helps them to focus, supports informal conversations.</p>
Reading	<p>New book scheme, Oxford Reading Tree, for KS1 – colour bands – books will be changed twice a week.</p> <p>New library – for all ages – includes bronze, silver, gold book bands for older readers – changed weekly.</p> <p>We need to develop the library further – if you have any books for older children at home that are no longer needed then please donate.</p> <p>Pupils will also have a free choice of book from class library.</p> <p>The children should keep their reading books in their reading wallet along with reading record – to be brought to school each day.</p>
Reading@ home	<p>Reading is key to a child’s success – if good at reading then do well academically. Want to develop love of reading.</p> <p>Expectation is daily reading at home – read with, read to, listen to child – ask questions, discuss book.</p> <p>Write in reading record each day please.</p> <p>Children can read anything as long as they enjoy it (own books as well as school books) – comics, newspaper, non-fiction, fiction, poetry</p>
PPA time	<p>Legal entitlement for teachers to plan, prepare and assess – released from class half day each week.</p> <p>The children are then taught in our specialist areas: Mr Edwards – music in music room and library session; Mrs Dower – art and DT in art room; Mrs Smith – RE in classrooms. Each year group has different day for PPA.</p>
ICT	<p>We have a new ICT suite with 30 PCs – the children will have weekly computing lessons.</p> <p>Laptops and ipads will still be used in classrooms.</p> <p>E-safety vital – information on newsletters, parent workshops, increasing content on website over this term.</p> <p>E-safety scheme of work for Reception - Year 6</p>
Phonics & spelling	<p>Phonics scheme – Phonics Play supported by Jolly Phonics.</p> <p>In Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, the children will receive daily phonics lessons. They also need to learn high frequency words and year group spellings.</p> <p>Year 1 have a national phonics screening test in June – pass or fail.</p>

	<p>Please work with us if child struggling to learn phonics by practising at home – little and often.</p> <p>New spelling scheme for Year 2 – 6: Read Write Inc. Spelling - learning spelling rules and patterns.</p> <p>Several sessions each week + keep log book for spellings which they bring home to practice.</p>
Maths	<p>New scheme – White Rose Maths Hub.</p> <p>Mastery approach – focus on basic skills + reasoning and problem solving.</p> <p>Need fluency in basic skills – know number bonds and multiplication facts.</p> <p>Home learning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rapid Recall scheme supports learning number facts – more information coming soon and materials on website – please support at home. • TTRockstars – new online resource – great fun way to learn tables – more information soon. • Family Maths activities for Year 1 – 5 where children use maths in everyday life.
Food and drink	<p>The children should only bring in fruit and vegetables for their break time snack - Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 have fruit and vegetables provided by government.</p> <p>Children should bring in their own <u>named</u> water bottles with water only – no fizzy drinks, squash or juices.</p> <p>Dinner tickets for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 need to be bought through the Paris line on 01708 433119 with a debit or credit card</p>
Behaviour	<p>It's Good to be Green system – consistent across school.</p> <p>Focus on positive behaviour and reward it.</p> <p>Fresh start each day – green each morning.</p> <p>Incremental consequences – aim to catch them being good afterwards to reinforce good behaviour.</p> <p>Behaviour Policy on website if more details required.</p>
Website	<p>You can find all school policies, any news, information on curriculum and assessment and letters on school website.</p> <p>New year group pages coming soon – photos and explanation of learning, weekly learning objectives, home learning.</p>
Helping in school	<p>There are many areas where we need help – particularly since reduced numbers of TAs e.g. hearing readers, admin work (photocopying, filing, making resources), putting up displays.</p> <p>If you can spare any time to help in school please let the office know – they will process a DBS check and ask for references.</p> <p>Parents/carers will not be working in the same year group as their child.</p>
PTA	<p>The PTA arrange lots of family events and great experiences for our children.</p> <p>Also raise a lot of money – vital in current climate.</p> <p>Information on website about events, meetings etc.</p> <p>Please join in!</p>
Communication	<p>If you need to sort a problem, please see Class Teacher first, then if not resolved see Year Leader, then Senior Leadership Team.</p> <p>Feedback welcome – either email, letters, or in person.</p> <p>New Parent Forums coming soon – information to follow.</p> <p>New Governing Body newsletter each half term to keep you updated.</p> <p>Feedback from parent/carer and pupil questionnaires (July 2017) coming soon.</p> <p>We want to work in partnership with you.</p>
SATs – Y2 & Y6 ONLY	<p>Year 2 and Year 6 parents will have separate meetings later in the year to explain the SATs process.</p>