

NEWSLETTER

"THE SCHOOL WITH A HEART THAT BEATS TO EVERYONE'S TUNE"



24th September 2024

We are now approaching the halfway point of the autumn term, and school is in full-swing. Pupils have really settled into their new year groups, and I have been delighted to see so many proud pupils showing off their work.

We have many events happening at present, which add to the rich tapestry of school life, including our annual 'Vocabulary Parade', our 'Reception Welcome Event' and school photographs.

In the coming fortnight, we will be reminding pupils of our school rules, which are simply 'Ready, Respectful and Safe': we are encouraging preparedness, manners and making sensible choices.

Mr Mugan

Vocabulary Parade

We really enjoyed 'Vocabulary Parade' in school today- children came to school as a range of interesting and ambitious words. It was great to see so many creative, original ideas. We talked about vocabulary in lessons and in our school assembly, as we continue to promote rich and varied language across the curriculum.



Reception Welcome Event

The 'Reception Welcome Event' takes place on Friday afternoon (**27th September**) after school, from 3.30pm to 4.30pm. Pupils and their parents are invited to our school hall, where there will be a disco / party and refreshments. This is a great opportunity for Reception families to meet each other. TJ the DJ will be overseeing proceedings: he is excellent and not to be missed!

Trim Trail / Car Park

There are an increasing number of pupils using the trim trail before and after the school day. We remind parents that this is not permitted, for health and safety / insurance reasons.

We also remind families, that unless otherwise arranged, the school car park is for staff and visitors to school.

School Photographs

School photographs are being taken on **Tuesday 1st October**. An e-mail will go out prior to this, detailing the order of the day. Individual and family (siblings) photos are taken on this day, with the Reception and Year 6 class photos taken later in the year.

PTA AGM

We always welcome new members to our school's vibrant PTA. In the previous newsletter, I provided incorrect details of the Annual General Meeting. The correct date and time of this meeting is **Thursday 17th October at 5.30pm, at school**. We always welcome new members and will be discussing potential ways to both raise and spend funds at this event.



What parents need to know about DISCORD

<p>INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT</p> <p>Your child can access almost any chat server on Discord. This means they can easily be exposed to content and conversations that are inappropriate, upsetting or potentially harmful.</p>	<p>SEXUAL IMAGERY</p> <p>Despite there being guidelines in place to prevent it, users are able to circulate adult content. This can include sexualised images, pornographic videos and provocative discussions. It's important to stay alert and know the risks that your child could be exposed to.</p>	<p>RISK OF CYBERBULLYING</p> <p>Interactions on the platform are largely unregulated. This means other users can easily say and show things to your child that might be offensive and upsetting. The competitive nature of gaming can lead users to make abusive and harmful remarks about your child.</p>	<p>HIDDEN CHARGES</p> <p>Though the basic platform is free, your child will be encouraged to sign up to premium subscriptions, which give extra perks, such as animated emojis and free games. The two options are known as Nitro Classic (which costs \$4.99 a month) and Nitro (which costs \$9.99 a month). Prices are only converted to pounds sterling during the payment process.</p>	<p>RISK OF CYBERCRIME</p> <p>Cybercriminal groups have been linked to the platform due to reports of hackers sharing stolen data. It's also possible that your child may be encouraged to share the data of their friends, either through peer pressure, or 'for fun', without realising the consequences.</p>
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Dates for Your Diary	Attendance
Reception Welcome Event- 27/07/24	96.5%
School Photographs- 01/10/24	School attendance this week!
Year 1 Love to Learn- 11/10/24 (2.30pm)	94.86%
PTA AGM- 17/10/24 (5.30pm)	School attendance this year!
Year 6 Love to Learn- 18/10/24 (2.30pm)	96%
Break the Rules Day- 25/10/24	School target