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Parent Newsletter

So, we have finally reached the last day of the year and it is mixed with happiness and sadness.

It has been an amazing year for so many reasons, on we certainly won't forget!

We would like to wish lots of luck to our wonderful Year 6's, who are leaving us today, and wish them well on the beginning of their new adventure at secondary school. We are so proud of each and everyone of them and we will miss them so much!!

A few notices for the start of the new school year:

School Sessions

Infants School starts at 8:50am and finishes at 3:10pm

Juniors School starts at 8.50am and finishes 3:15pm

In order for morning session to start promptly, the school gates open at 8.45am **children should arrive in school ready to begin learning at 8:50am.**

Gates will be locked at 8.55am, children arriving after this time will be recorded as late.



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Infant parents bring their children straight to the classrooms, via the playground where children will settle in and take part in teacher led activities. **Juniors should be dropped off at the gate or on the Infant playground and will make their way to the classroom independently,**

End of the Day Collections

Parents may come into the playground to collect their child.

The only change to collections will be that Mrs Raggio and Mr Child's class, parents will collect their children from the "old Junior entrance" (soon to be the Library exit) at 3.15pm.

School Uniform

We want to do a big push on school uniform next year!

We believe that wearing school uniform promotes a positive attitude, high standards and a sense of belonging to the school.

Uniform worn smartly helps pupils to feel good about themselves, which has a knock-on effect with regard to how they function within the school.



We encourage the full wearing of school uniform appropriate to the weather at all times. This is in preparation for secondary school where uniform is more enforced.

Please ensure that all items of clothing and other belongings are clearly named.

Shoes

'Sensible' shoes should be worn to school at all times. For example-plain black shoes or boots only.

This means:

- No heels
 - No boots in summer
 - No sandals in winter
 - No 'strappy' unsafe shoes
 - No fashion shoes with lots of difficult laces
- (Clearly this guidance is for Health and Safety reasons)

All of the uniform with school logo is available from 'Top Form' shop-The Stow, Harlow.

The following is a guide to what children may wear: -

Trousers, Skirts & Pinafore Dresses	Charcoal Grey/Black
Polo shirts, Roll neck tops, cotton shirts & blouses	White or Blue
School Sweatshirt/Cardigan	Royal Blue
Jumpers and Cardigans	Royal Blue
Fleece	Royal Blue
Waterproof Fleece	Royal Blue
Summer Dresses	Royal Blue / White Check/ Stripes
Pique Dresses (T Shirt Dresses)	Royal Blue



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Summer Shorts
Baseball & Knitted Hats
Socks
Tights

Charcoal Grey/Black
Royal Blue
Black/white/grey
Black/blue/grey

PE Kit:

We have decided to continue with children wearing their PE kit into school on PE days.

Blue or white Polo Shirt/T shirt & Black Shorts/Blue

Tracksuits - dark plain colours are preferred for the colder months.

Hair/Nails/Makeup

Hairstyles (boys and girls) should be simple and of the child's natural colour. Fashion /extreme styles/shaven heads are not acceptable. No 'tram lines' or heads shaved to less than a 'number 2'. All children should have their hair off of their faces so they can be seen. If necessary tie hair back off the face.

Pupils should not wear nail varnish or make up.

Earrings/Jewellery

Pupils who have pierced ears may wear a pair of small, plain studs. Earrings and jewellery can be extremely dangerous, especially at playtime and during physical activities. The School and County Policy require that earrings be removed for PE lessons, even where studs are worn. Where the ears have been recently pierced, pupils should not participate in PE lessons until the ears have healed enough for the earrings to be removed.

Please can you check with your child's teacher as to when the class has PE, and keep the earrings at home for those days, or train your child to take the earrings out and provide a container to keep them in, as the teachers cannot be responsible for the earrings in any way.

Goodbye and thank you

Finally, a massive thank you to all our families, to the parents, grand parents and of course our wonderful children who have supported and helped us get through this year!

I hope you all stay safe and healthy, enjoy your well-earned holidays and we look forward to seeing you in September!

Very best wishes,

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