

## Reminders

- If you need to take your child out of school for a medical appointment, please notify the teacher in writing. Please avoid collecting your child during morning break (10.15 -10.30) or lunchtime (12.25—1.30). Wherever possible such appointments should be made outside of school hours.
- Please let us know if you are going to be late collecting your child, children who are late being collected will be asked to come back into the building and they will be collected from the school office. You will also be asked to fill in a form explaining why you are late. Please ensure that you give your password to anyone different who is collecting your child.
- Please continue to telephone the school office by 9.30am on the first day of sickness or send an e-mail to the school's specific e-mail address [office@devonshire.sutton.sch.uk](mailto:office@devonshire.sutton.sch.uk) which will be picked up by the office. When your child returns to school you will need to send a letter explaining their absence.
- Please let us know of any change in your personal details, it is essential that we have up to date contact details for all children.
- The school office will be your first point of contact for issues concerning dinner money, sickness or general enquiries. The office is open from 8.35—9.45am and 2.30—3.30pm.
- If your child wears glasses please make the teacher aware of this and ensure that your child brings them to school each day.
- If you have any concerns or questions please do not hesitate to come and talk to us!

## Top Tips

- Please can the children continue to use book bags where possible.
- The children are not allowed a pencil case in year 3, please do not send them in with one.
- Your child will need to bring their reading record book into school **every** day. Please read with your child every day and ask them questions about what they are reading.
- Your child will need to remember to bring their home learning in on the right day (the class teacher will tell you what day this is).
- Please ensure that all coats, bags, lunchboxes, snack boxes, PE kit and uniform are clearly named, including trainers.
- It would help us enormously if the children were able to do up their ties and shoe laces themselves.

# Welcome



# to the Juniors!

## What's Different?

- Your child is now in Key Stage 2.
- The day finishes at 3.20pm.
- You will have received an Acceptable Use Agreement, which needs to be signed and returned as soon as possible.
- The children wear a school tie as part of their winter uniform. This is worn from October half term. (Ties are available from Cladish in Wallington/ online via the parent portal on our website)
- Home learning: menu style where one activity is picked each week.
- Times Tables Rockstars should be done 4 times a week.
- Spelling Shed activity is done once a week.

### PE kit:

- PE kit is a yellow t-shirt and blue shorts
- Your child needs to wear trainers for PE now—these can be in most colours but nothing too bright.
- Your child needs a tracksuit for the winter months. This needs to be black, blue or grey.
- Swimming is part of the PE curriculum. The children will have one block of swimming lessons which will be in the Spring or Summer term. Boys will need swimming trunks (not Bermuda style shorts) and a swimming hat and girls will need a swimming costume and a swimming hat. Swimming lessons are subsidised by school, but we do ask for a contribution to the transport costs.
- Children in the Juniors have a reading record book which is taken home and brought to school each day. Please do look at it each day, as it is an important way of passing on messages and remembering home learning. Please also ensure that you sign to say you have heard your child read. Children will be able to change their reading book at least every other day.



- The free fruit scheme only applies to children in the Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1. Children are still encouraged to bring a named water bottle and a piece of fruit or veg to school each day. A piece of fruit is really important, as there is a slightly longer gap until lunch time. Please do not send in fruit winders.
- Lunchtime is from 12.25 -1.30pm
- For the year 2024-2025 children are still entitled to universal school meals.

### **Year 3 teachers**

Mrs Webb/Mrs Asirwatham (Ash class)  
Mrs Connolly (Birch class)  
Miss Newton (Aspen class)

### **Beginning and end of the day arrangements**

The school doors open at 8.35am and are closed at 8.45am. Children enter the building through the same door that they currently do. At the end of the day, please enter the school grounds through the fieldhouse gate and walk around to the playground behind the school; the children will be brought out and dismissed to you at 3.20pm. Teachers are available to speak to any parents who wish to talk to them.

## What we do to help

- All Year 2 parents are invited to a virtual transition meeting and a leaflet is sent home giving parents information about the transition.
- The meet the teacher session will take place in the first couple of weeks of the Autumn term. This will give you the opportunity to visit your child's new classroom and find out what topics and curriculum they will be covering.
- The children have already met their new teacher and have spent some time getting to know them.
- The children will take part in the Woodland project during the Autumn term and they will do lots about team work.

