

Newsletter 27-09-21

Dear Parent/Carers

Tuck Money

A reminder please that tuck money can only be accepted on a Monday. We have been lenient over the past couple of weeks as children (and parents) get used to being back at school. However, from Monday 27th September onwards, if tuck money is not brought in on Monday then your child cannot have tuck that week. If you do forget, please remember to send a healthy snack in for your child to have at break time.

We would also like to remind you that you should be sending in £1.50 per week, if you want your child to have 1 item per day or £3 for two items per day.

PE Kit

A polite reminder that all children should be in correct PE kit please. You should now know what days your children have PE and on those days, they must wear **PLAIN** black or burgundy shorts/leggings/joggers and a **PLAIN** white or burgundy t-shirt. PE days are not an excuse for non-uniform. Obviously, tops with a Birklands logo are permitted, but no other logos/writing/designs. We still expect our children to look smart. Trainers may be worn on PE days.

To ensure your child does not mis-place their uniform please remember to put their names in the relevant clothing items.

Start of the Day

Last week we reminded you that the school gates open at 8.35am for our children to gradually drift into their classroom for an 8.45am start. With this in mind there is absolutely no reason for anyone to arrive much earlier than 8.35am.

Flu Jabs

These will be taking place in school on **30th November** for children in Reception to Year 6. Consent will need to be given online and more information with links to this have been sent out. Flu vaccinations cannot be given without online consent but this can be withdrawn if you change your mind. Please also note that you still need to complete the online form if you DO NOT consent to the vaccinations (there is an option to refuse permission).

COVID cases

As many of you are aware there has been an increase in the number of positive COVID cases within the community. Please remember that if you or your child develops any COVID symptoms you should book a PCR test immediately. If your child does develop COVID you must inform school straight away.

Dogs on the school grounds

Currently, the school does not allow dogs on the school grounds (apart from assistance dogs). Please bear this in-mind when dropping off or collecting your child.

October Half Term

As you are no doubt aware, we run a slightly different holiday pattern to Notts County Council. With this in mind, please remember that we only have one week at October half term, not two. We break up on Friday 22nd October and children should be back in school on Monday 1st November.

Breakfast and wrap-around after-school club

A polite reminder that this provision is only open to working parents, when they are at work. We are finding both our breakfast club and wrap-around care are in high demand. So please only book it for when you are at work and don't forget to cancel your child's place, if your work pattern changes.

School office hours

A reminder again that office hours are 8.00am to 3.30pm. If you need to call outside of these times, then please leave a message and staff will pick this up when they are next in the office.



Mrs C Smith (Head of School)