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WPS – Welcome back to school

Dear Parents/carers

I hope you have all had a lovely relaxing summer break and have been able to enjoy the sunshine. We are very much looking forward to your return to school next week.

Please find below some general information in preparation for pupils returning to school on Monday 5th September.

Arrival and pick up

Gates will continue to open at 8.40am with registers taken at 8.50am. Children arriving after this time should report to the Main Office.

At the end of the school day, pupils on the ground floor (EYFS and KS1 classes) can be picked up from their classroom door from 3.10pm. Pupils on the first floor (KS2) will be brought to you at 3.15pm on the Front Yard. This will help us to ensure their safe release to parents.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club will open on Monday 5th September. Registers have been created and parents who have applied for places in the Breakfast Club have now received confirmation of their sessions. In total we received 120 responses to the survey and have organised the sessions across the week to offer 60 places on each day. Unfortunately, this means that we have not been able to offer all families their full request for sessions. We have done our best to ensure as many families as possible can benefit from the free Breakfast Club.

Uniform Guidance

General Uniform – please ensure all items are labelled with your child's name. Sharpie pens are available in the school office.

- Sweatshirts/cardigans should be navy blue or black.
- Trousers should be full length, in navy blue, plain black or dark grey.
- Shorts should be dress shorts in navy blue, plain black or dark grey
- Polo shirts/Shirt should be white or blue.
- Skirts/pinafores should be navy blue, plain black or dark grey of a suitable length.
- Gingham dresses should be blue, worn in the summer months.
- Footwear should be black shoes or black trainers.

Make up or painted nails are not permitted in school.

A word about shoes

Please ensure that your children wear sensible shoes to school. Children are very active during the day both inside the school and in the playground. Their shoes need to be comfortable and safe.

In extreme weather children will be allowed to wear boots/wellingtons for their journey into school and then change into other school shoes.

Jewellery and Hair accessories

For safety reasons children should not wear jewellery. The only exceptions are stud earrings and essential religious items. Jewellery, including earrings, should not be worn during PE lessons. Newly pierced ears must be covered by tape supplied from home. This cannot be administered by Walkley staff. If your child cannot do this themselves they must come to school with tape already applied.

PE Kit

Children are required to wear their PE kits on their class PE days. The PE kit can be comprised of the following items:

- T-shirts should be plain white with no logos.
- Shorts should be plain navy blue or black.
- Footwear should be trainers or plimsolls (preferably with non-marking soles) and must be a different pair to the footwear worn for the rest of the school day.
- A track suit or old sweatshirt can be used in colder weather.

Below is a list of each year group's P.E. days:

F2 Caterpillars: Fridays

F2 Chameleons: Fridays

Year 1 Anansi: Tuesday and Thursday

Year 1 Jolly Posties: Wednesday and Friday

Year 2 Smartest Giants: Monday and Friday

Year 2 Gruffalos: Monday and Thursday

Year 3 Aslans: Wednesday and Thursday

Year 3 Borrowers: Tuesday and Friday

Year 4 Charlies: Tuesday and Thursday

Year 4 Fantastic Foxes: Tuesday and Thursday

Year 5 Hiccups: Monday and Thursday

Year 6 War Horse: Tuesday and Thursday

Year 6 Kensukes: Wednesday and Friday

Forest School

This year Forest School will be timetabled differently. Year groups will share the Forest school for the week, meaning that children could visit Forest School any day from Monday to Friday on their designated week. Year 1 will be the first year group to access Forest School. This will be in the week commencing 19th September. Parents will receive reminders in the week before the scheduled class use.

School Newsletter

The school newsletter will once again be circulated to all parents at the beginning of each half term. It will keep you updated with upcoming events, changes to schedule and will celebrate the achievements of the school community.

Golden Award Assemblies

We are very excited to share children's achievements with you once again in our Golden Assemblies.

- EYFS and KS1 Assemblies will be weekly on Fridays after drop off at 9.15am. Just make your way to the Hall door in order to come and join the celebration.
- KS2 Assemblies will be weekly on Fridays before collection at 2.30pm. Access to assembly will also be through the Hall doors.

We look forward to seeing you next week.

Kind regards

Chris Wallis

Headteacher