



Dear Parent,

It has been lovely to welcome all the children back. They have settled back in well and it is lovely to see so many smiles on their faces. I have really enjoyed having the children back in assemblies and hope in the near future that we will be able to start inviting parents as well. Please do be aware that with the changing weather and the real autumnal almost wintery feel, children need to come in prepared with coats and hats.

We have had a really busy term and below are some of the highlights and reminders:

### **Year 6 parents**

Just a reminder that the application deadline for the year 6 students moving onto Secondary School is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021. For those of you that have not yet completed it please use the following link: <https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/children-and-families/schools-learning/apply-for-a-school-place>

### **SEND Parent and Parents Evening Telephone Consultations**

Over the last two weeks, the teachers have attempted to call all parents that have made an appointment on Arbor. This is a parents evening where you discuss how your child/ren have settled in and an opportunity to share what they have been doing really well and any worries that you/ your child may have. If you missed these, please contact the school office who will try and arrange a new appointment for after half term.

### **Dynamos Cricket Coach**

Year 6 have welcomed in a cricket coach. This has been an excellent opportunity for them to learn lots of new skills and for the last two weeks they have managed to then apply these to game situations. If you have not yet signed up for this, please log onto <https://ecb.clubspark.uk/Dynamos/BookCourse/4745c226-c7da-408f-a8c3-cd01cacd114d>

### **Tennis**

Year 3 have had in a tennis coach from St Neots Tennis club. The children have learnt the basics of tennis in a fun and engaging way. The children have really enjoyed these sessions and I have been very impressed with how well they have taken this on. We have some really talented children out there.

### **NSPCC Learning PANTS**

Year 4 and 5 have been looking at NSPCC learning links to PANTS. This is a series of PSHE lessons linked to the importance of using correct terminology for their body and the importance of staying safe. Look on the NSPCC website for further information.

### **Bikeability**

Year 3 and 4 children were given the opportunity to take part in a Bikeability course. The children got to go out on the roads on their bikes and learn how to stay safe on the road. Keep your eyes open as there will be further opportunities the rest of this year and into next year.

## **Cricket Tournament Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> October**

Seven Year 2 children were lucky to be able to go to Eaton Socon Cricket Club to take part in a cricket tournament. This involved schools from across St Neots. The children played fantastically and managed to win 2 games across the afternoon. Their teamwork and behaviour were fantastic. We were immensely proud of them for their performances.

## **Parking**

A quick reminder to all to ensure that we park safely and considerately around school. It is so important that we park safely for the safety of our children and families. We are working alongside the local PCSO who will be regularly patrolling the local area. This is an initiative across the whole of St Neots.

## **Uniform**

Children need to always have their PE kit and a pair of wellies in school.

As a reminder, the standard uniform consists of:

- White or blue polo shirts (plain)
- Grey trousers/skirt/pinafore with the length of skirt to be no shorter than just above the knee
- Grey or white socks, royal blue sweatshirt/cardigan (available from school with the school emblem)
- Royal blue pullover or cardigan.
- **Black footwear, shoes (not trainers)**

Hair – all long hair to be tied back, so that your child's vision is not impaired. Children may wear gel, ponytails, or hair bands, but no extreme fashion hairstyles please. **Please name every item of your child's school uniform.**

**It is The Diamond Learning Partnership Trusts policy that earrings must not be worn for PE, and your child must be able to remove them if they wear them to school on PE days. Earrings should be small studs.**

## **PE Kit**

The children need a plain white t-shirt and plain blue/navy or black shorts. Please avoid strappy tops for the girls.

If your child comes to school without the appropriate items or kit a letter will be sent home with them indicating the missing item or appropriate school wear.

**Uniform points will not be given out to pupils if they do not have the correct kit. If children do not gain enough points over the term, they will need to come to school in their uniform on reward day.**

### **School Dinners**

The cost of a meal at school from September for children in Year 3, 4 5 & 6 is £2.25, meals for nursery children are £2.00 and adult meals are £3.20. **Payment can now be made online**, please ask the office staff for more information. You may order lunches daily but according to Local Authority's policy, all school lunches must be paid for in advance or on the day taken. **School is not allowed to give more than one day's credit per child**. As you know, any parent, grandparent, aunt, or uncle can book to have a dinner with a child in the school any day of the week, but we do require at least one day's notice where possible.

### **Achievement Awards**

Well, done to all the children who have received awards. I look forward to many more children receiving awards.

#### **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

##### **Achievement Awards.**

Toby, Teddy, Kira, Archie, Mason, Lucy, Caden

**Art Award-** Jessica **RRR Award-** Isabella **WAC Award-** Anastasia

#### **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

##### **Achievement Awards**

Jack, Elijah, Jamie, Lexie, Kianna, Elliott, Noah

**Art Award –** Amelie **RRR Award-** Logan **WAC Award-** Violet

#### **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021**

##### **Achievement Awards**

Colin, Jennifer, Luke, Evie, Hayden, Evie, Lilly-Mae

**Art Award-** Sharnella **RRR Award –** Cerys **WAC Award-** Adela

#### **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2021**

##### **Achievement Awards**

George, Sam, Tristan, Connor, Mason, Lacie, Shannon

**Art Award-** Issac **RRR Award-** Josie **WAC Award-** Zach

#### **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021**

##### **Achievement Awards**

Tristan, Cohen, Chase, Noah, James, Ella, Frankie

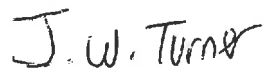
**RRR Award-** Xavier

**WAC Award-** Shannon

**Term dates 2018-2019**

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Staff Training Day
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Autumn Term Continues
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Individual School Photographs
Term ends	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> December – Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2022	Christmas Holiday
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	Training Day
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Term Starts

Yours sincerely



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On behalf of Winhills Primary Academy (part of TDLPT)