



September 2022 Newsletter

Welcome back to the new school year! I trust that everyone is settling into their new classes and all the routines that come with being back at school.

Staffing

We are welcoming two new members of staff into the school this year. In the school office some of you may have already spoken with Mrs Gwynne who has taken over from Mrs Chivers. We also have Mrs Jackson who will be taking over the role of Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator (Senco) from Mrs Reid, as well as teaching P4 one day per week. I am sure you would join me in thanking Mrs Chivers and Mrs Reid for the many years of service they both gave to the school, as well as wishing them all the best for the future. We will also be welcoming back Mrs Lux who will be continuing with us under the Project Engage funding that has been allocated to schools over the past three years.

Year Group Teacher Meetings

We are very pleased to be reintroducing Year Group Teacher meetings this year. For those of you unfamiliar with these meetings, they are a group meeting of all the parents/guardians in a class, where the teacher goes through the plans and expectations for the year ahead. These meetings will be taking place during the weeks beginning 12th and 19th September at 2pm. Your class teacher will inform you, this week, when your meeting is taking place via SeeSaw.

After School Clubs

After School clubs will start during the **week beginning 19th September**.

For term one we are able to offer;

Day	Club	Provider	Cost (per week)
Tuesday	Football (P2 and P3)	Ultimate Soccer	£4
	Football (P4 & P5)	Ultimate Soccer	£4
Wednesday	Tennis (P2 and P3)	AGPT	£5
	Tennis (P4 – P7)	AGPT	£5
	Football (P6 & P7)	Ultimate Soccer	£4
	Miniversity (P2 – P3)	Miniversity	Contact directly
	Miniversity (P4 – P7)		study@miniversity.com
Thursday	Hockey (P2 and P3)	Primary Hockey	£4
	Hockey (P4 –P5)	Primary Hockey	£4
	Craft and Art Club (P1-P3)	https://mandy-makes.com/	£6
	Craft and Art Club (P4-P7)		£6
Friday	Hockey (P6 –P7)	Primary Hockey	£4

Music Tuition

We are hoping to have three music tutors in school this term; Mrs McAleer will be returning to take piano lessons, Chris will be returning to teach drums and Jack will be offering guitar and ukulele tuition. We will be forwarding registration information to you in the next few weeks.

School Fund

We are exceptionally grateful to all those parents who contributed to school fund last year; this money always makes a real difference to the standard of education we can provide to your child. This year we are using our school fund to enhance our ICT provision.

I am very aware though that many families currently are feeling the pressure of rising inflation. I would like to stress that school fund is a *voluntary* donation to the school. We ask that each family contribute £14 per term, per family, to our school fund. Payment can be made in one instalment or three. This will be done via School Money – each parent will receive a text that will say they “owe” us this money but, as stated previously, this is a voluntary contribution.

PTA

You should have already received communication about our first PTA meeting and event. We are planning to hold our first PTA meeting on 15th September at 2pm. I would ask that as many of you as possible come along to this meeting. A strong PTA offers so much to a school and enhances the opportunities for the children. If you are intending to come to this meeting please email me (gwalker844@c2kni.net).

School Car Park

If anyone with mobility or health issues requires a car park pass, please contact the office. I would ask that only those with these passes use the school car park.

Details

It is vital that we have up to date contact details for every child in the school. Should you wish to change the mobile numbers or designated contact persons for your child please contact the school office.

Sun Rise

Sun Rise is now up and running for those children who require an early drop off. Bookings must be made on the School Money site before midnight on Sunday. Food is not provided but children may bring food with them, it costs £3 per pupil and is open from 8am. Parents may drop their children into the car park (before 8:30am) and bring them to the blue door into the assembly hall.

Child Protection

Please also find attached a summary of our Child Protection Policy. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Dates

PI intake in small groups	5 th September
Year Group Teacher Meetings	12 th – 23 rd September
Clubs to begin	19 th September
PTA Meeting	15 th September 2pm
Staff Development Day (Pupils not in school)	30 th September
Flu Vaccinations	6 th October
Parent Teacher Interviews (note to follow)	17 th October
Half Term	31 st October – 4 th November (inclusive)