



Chilton Primary School – Newsletter 1 – Friday 3rd September
One Childhood, One Chance

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the new academic year! Summer has flown by but we have started the year brilliantly. The children have come back to school smoothly and their behaviour and learning is already exceptional. It has been wonderful seeing them settle so quickly. We are back up and running and raring to go.

I have some good news to share with you to start this term. Miss Keam got married in the summer (a wedding much delayed by Covid) and is now Mrs Winchcombe. Miss Wright surprised everyone by keeping her summer wedding a total secret from everybody and has returned to school as Mrs Cotton. Congratulations to both ladies and their families!

I am sure you are aware the DFE guidance has loosened significantly regarding Covid safe practices in schools. I want to take the opportunity to reassure you that at Chilton we have not simply returned to the 'old normal' and still have protective measures in place. These measures include starting the term with the following:

- The same cleaning and hygiene routines and procedures in place
- Children still washing hands regularly
- Classroom doors and windows open to ensure maximum ventilation and children taking regular air-breaks throughout the day
- Lunch, play and assembly arrangements that reduce crowding and allow for distancing

Adults who are double vaccinated and children under 18 now do not need to isolate if they are a close contact or a household member of a positive case. This means that as things stand at present, we will not be closing class bubbles for a positive case in school. We will inform you if we have a positive case in school and we will recommend testing for close contacts. Should a member of your household test positive, we will also strongly encourage you to obtain a PCR test for your child. The way forward is to continue to work together to do all that we can to keep the school community as healthy as possible.

I must emphasise that these are the arrangements at present. I will not hesitate to re-impose greater protective measures should the situation with case numbers worsen. If we have increasing numbers within school at any point in the future, the closure of bubbles may return. Unfortunately, nobody can really predict what will happen as the weeks progress but the forecast don't seem to be all that hopeful. This could be another tough term but I will continue to manage the circumstances that arise proactively and will keep you informed throughout.

Please could I ask you to make sure that we have up to date contact numbers and email addresses for you. Thank you!

Teachers will update their blogs today with start of the year information. General information is also noted below in this letter.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'k.law'.

Mrs Kate Law

Head of School

PE Days:

Children will continue to come to school in their PE kits on their PE days. Kit should be navy or black bottoms with white t-shirts and navy or black jumpers.

Monday – Year 1

Tuesday – Year 2

Wednesday – Year 3

Thursday – Year 4 + Swimming for Year 5

Friday – Year 6

Sports Project Days:

Children will need to come to school in uniform but wear trainers on Sports Project Days

Tuesday – Year 1, 3 and 6

Wednesday – Year 2, 4 and 5

Arrangements for Reception children will be confirmed soon when the children are with us full time.

Uniform

Our uniform makes us a team and gives us a sense of community. It also keeps everyone smart and helps children to feel ready to learn. Please could we also ask that children's uniform be named – it makes it a lot easier to reunite lost items with their owners!

Our uniform consists of:

- Grey trousers / skirt / shorts / pinafore
 - Blue gingham summer dress
 - White shirt / polo shirt
- Navy blue sweatshirt / jumper / cardigan (no hoodies apart from school supplied items)
 - Grey, black or white socks / tights
 - Black shoes (no trainers, sandals)

Hair longer than shoulder length needs to be tied back and jewellery is not permitted but children may wear a wrist-watch. Children should also not have nail varnish or temporary tattoos left on from the weekend – please could these be removed for school. Thank you!

For Year 6 Parents:

The Kent Test is on Thursday 9th September. Children will be taking the test in their classrooms with their teachers. If your child is registered for the test but will no longer be taking it, please could you put this in writing for Mrs Law.

I will write shortly regarding the process for applications to Secondary Schools.

We also have a Swattenden residential trip booked for Term 6 – I will send the details for that shortly too.



2021 – 2022 TERM DATES

Development Day: Wednesday 1st September

Term 1 begins for children – Thursday 2nd September

Term 1 ends – Friday 22nd October

Half Term 23rd – 31st October

Development Day – Monday 1st November

Term 2 begins for children - Tuesday 2nd November

Term 2 ends – Friday 17th December

Christmas Holidays – 18th December to 3rd January

Development Day – Tuesday 4th January 2022

Term 3 begins for children – Wednesday 5th January 2022

Term 3 ends – Friday 11th February 2022

Half Term – 12th – 20th February 2022

Development Day - Monday 21st February 2022

Term 4 begins for children – Tuesday 22nd February 2022

Term 4 ends - Friday 1st April 2022

Easter Holidays 2nd – 18th April 2022

Term 5 begins – Tuesday 19th April 2022

Bank Holiday Monday - 2nd May 2022

Term 5 ends – Friday 27th May 2022

Half Term – 28th May – 5th June 2022

Development Day - Monday 6th June 2022

Term 6 begins for Children – Tuesday 7th June 2022

Term 6 ends – Friday 22nd July 2022

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