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Welcome back and a big welcome to all our new starters!

We hope all of you have had a fantastic relaxing summer holiday and are now raring to go in this new academic year. It is an exciting time as after all the upheaval with the 2 tier system, this is our first year with a full complement as a primary.

Term starts on Wednesday 6th September - please note we are straight in to full school days - and we break up for half term 3.15pm on Friday 20th October.

As always, here are a few reminders of general housekeeping matters and what's coming up this half term. Remember to check the website calendar regularly!

School Lunches

All children in reception, year 1 and year 2 remain entitled to free school lunches.

For children in pre-school and years 3, 4, 5 & 6 the price of a child's school meal remains at £2.30. The weekly amount is £11.50. This half term is 33 days long, which gives a total of £75.90. Please note that all lunches should be paid for in advance (daily, weekly or half termly). We will automatically carry credits forward if your child misses a prepaid lunch for whatever reason. We are still on the summer menu, starting on week 2 (menus on the website).



Swimming



A letter regarding swimming went out last half term and is available on the website if you missed it, but just to re-cap, **year 5s only are swimming this half term**. Lessons begin this **Thursday 7th September** and will run for 7 weeks. Once a child is able to swim 25 metres, the emphasis will then be on lifesaving activities. Each lesson costs **£4.50** which covers the lesson and some transport cost to and from the pool. Total cost of **£27.00** for this half term (first lesson is free).

Payment

Please send payment to school in advance with a clear breakdown of what you're paying for plus your child's name. Cash or cheque made payable to NCC - it is **not necessary to send separate cheques**. We do not have the facility for online payments.

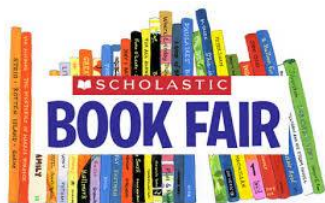


Access to School

The school day starts promptly at 8.55am and doors are locked at this time. If you arrive after this, please bring your child through the main entrance and sign them in to school.

Book Fair

The Scholastic book fair will be in school week beginning 11th September and will be available for you to browse before and after school from Monday afternoon onwards. As usual, it will be set up in the hall and we ask that all books are paid for and collected by the end of the week.



After school clubs

There will be a number of after school clubs running this term, so please look out for letters going home once they have been finalised.

Clubs run from 3.15 to 4.15pm.



Allsorts fun club

Allsorts can be contacted:

07598818846

allsortsfunclub@gmail.com

Breakfast club is open from 7.45 to 8.45am
Monday to Friday.

After school club is open from 3.15 to 5.45pm
Monday to Thursday, with an earlier finish of
5pm on Fridays.

Pupil Information Form

Once term starts, we will be sending out an information form which has to be filled in by all pupils (except for Reception as they have recently been completed). It is particularly important that you give details of medical conditions and allergies, even if you have informed us before, an up-to-date email address and let us know of any new contact details. It would also be useful if you put emergency contacts in the order of whom to contact as this can speed up the process when we need to ring home. Thank you!

Violin Tuition

Small group violin lessons will be starting again on Wednesday 20th September. If you would like your child to continue lessons or if you wish to register your interest, please let the school office know as soon as possible. Lessons are open to pupils in years 2 and above.



Year 6 London Trip

A reminder that the next instalment for the 2018 London trip for year 6 pupils is due in by **Friday 22nd September**. Cash or cheque payable to NCC. Remember to send payment in with your card and we can then receipt it for you.

Harvest Festival

Due to increased pupil numbers and limited hall capacity, this year's Harvest Festival will take place on 2 days, Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th October at 9.00am. It will be the same assembly on both days and we ask that you only come along to one of them to avoid over-crowding in the hall - thank you.