September 2020 Newsletter 1

Moon's Moat First School

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We are very happy to welcome all our children back to school, it is so nice to see them again! Our children have settled really well in the first couple of days including our new Reception children who have been amazing.

We appreciate that the new procedures around school will take some time to get used to and are grateful for your co-operation. Please keep an eye out for texts and updates on our website in case we have to alter any arrangements.

Thank you for your support in these unusual times,

Mrs. S. Fisher

Headteacher

Contact Details

If you have changed your contact details recently or you have started work please let us know. It is very important that we are able to contact you in an emergency and distressing for children when we cannot.

Start and End of Day Arrangements

In order to prevent congestion around school, the start and end times of the school day have been staggered: -

Year Four Class LB and Year Three Class RM - 8.50am school starts, 3.00pm school ends

Year Four Class MW and Year Three Class CP - 9.00am school starts, 3.10pm school ends

Year Two Class RG and Year One Class ET – 8.50am school starts, 3.00pm school ends

Year Two Class SV and Year One Class MR - 9.00am school starts, 3.10pm school ends

Foundation Stage AB and Foundation Stage AM – school starts 8.50am, school ends 3.00pm (1.00 pm for Reception aged children for the first three days).

Please do not arrive early unless you are having to drop children off in different areas and have to wait. When waiting for doors to open, please keep your distance from each other. Please stay away from the doorways to enable children to get past you safely. Please do not bring bikes and scooters to school at present.

P.E.

We will be starting P.E. lessons from Monday, 7th September. Children must come to school wearing their P.E kit on the day when they will take part in P.E. activities. They will remain in these clothes all day. Please ensure children wear warm clothes as P.E. activities may take place outside. Children will not be able to borrow P.E. kit from school. P.E kit does not have to be any particular colour or brand and does not have to have the school logo on.



Upcoming Events

September 14 Family Support Worker available (by appointment only)



Class P.E days:

Monday- Class LB (Year 4)

Tuesday- Class ET (Year 1) and Class CP (Year 3)

Wednesday- Class SV (Year 2) and Class RM (Year 3)

Thursday- Class RG (Year 2), Class AB (Foundation Stage) and Class MW (Year 4)

Friday- Class MR (Year 1) and Class AM (Foundation Stage)

Jewellery

No jewellery is to be worn to school at present, this includes earrings, rings, bracelets and watches.

Absence

We are aiming for at least 95% attendance this year. Children are more settled and make better progress when they come to school on time and every day. As children have 14 weeks holiday a year, we strongly discourage the taking of holidays during term time. In line with Government regulations no leave of absence will be authorised.

If your child is unwell please do not send them to school and if they display any symptoms of Coronavirus please book a test for them immediately.

If your child is absent it is important to please telephone the school office or report it online via the 'contact us' page on our website. Please do not only tell the teacher as they may not remember to pass the message on. If your child has an appointment please let us know as soon as possible and let the office have a copy of the appointment letter.

School holiday dates are given below and are also on our website.

Family Support Worker

Lisa, our family support worker will be available on alternate Mondays starting from Monday, 14th September. Please contact the office if you would like to make an appointment to speak to her.

School Meals

We have ordered sandwiches for next week for all children who had them this week. Please let the school office know if you need to change anything or would like to cancel or make a new order. Children in Reception through to Year 2 are entitled to Universal Free School Meals. Meals for children in Years 3 and 4 cost £2.30 per day unless you are entitled to income-based free school meals. If you think you may be entitled to income based free school meals but have not applied please apply online via the Worcestershire County Council website. Meals can be paid for online – please contact the school office for details. We will continue to provide sandwiches for the time being and will let you know when we can start to offer hot meals again.

GDPR

A copy of our Privacy Notice is available on our website for you to read.

School Term Dates 2020/21	School will close after school on	School will reopen on	
Autumn Term	Not applicable	Wednesday, 2nd September 2020	
Autumn mid term	Friday, 23rd October 2020	Monday, 2nd November 2020	
Christmas	Thursday, 17th December 2020	Tuesday, 5th January 2021	
Spring mid term	Friday, 12th February 2021	Monday, 22nd February 2021	
Easter	Thursday, 1st April 2021	Monday, 19th April, 2021	
Bank Holiday	Friday, 30th April 2021	Tuesday, 4th May 2021	
Summer mid term	Friday, 28th May 2021	Tuesday, 8th June 2021	
End of summer term	Tuesday, 20th July 2021	Not applicable	

Five agreed TEDs (Teacher Education Days) are: 1st September and 18th December 2020, 4th January, 7th June and 21st July 2021

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