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Welcome Back

We hope you have all enjoyed the summer holiday! The weather wasn't particularly ideal some of the time, but I do hope you did manage to make the best of what sunny, warm days we had and spent some quality family time together, if you could.

The children have really hit the ground running, as the saying goes! Our new Reception children, in particular, have made a brilliant start, coming in smoothly, without too much fuss and getting stuck in! The rest of the school have settled well in their new classes and numbers continue to rise.

Despite saying goodbye to class teacher Mr. Moore, we don't have to say hello to any new teachers this year but we do have a new member of the kitchen team, Miss Katie Furness. We have SO many pupils now at Mayflower, the kitchen is bursting at the seams cooking all those lovely dinners, so we felt they could do with an extra pair of hands! We do have to say farewell to Miss Garlick shortly, who will begin her maternity leave at the end of September but, fingers crossed, she'll be back!

A reminder of our new classes for 2023/24

- RLT:** Miss. Timms (EYFS lead)
RHS: Miss. Smith, both supported by Mrs. Tedder, Mrs. Evans & Ms. Humphrey
1BC: Mr. Childs
Mrs. Bell & Miss. Calvert
2SJW: Mrs. Wilkinson
Mrs. Gooding-Mathews & Miss. Gow
2DD: Mrs. Davies
Mrs. Bowers
3SS: Mr. Snelling
Mrs. Smith
3JC: Mrs. Simmonds/Miss Oddi (until October half term) / Mrs. Black (job-share)
Miss. Hall
4SB: Miss. Bowers
Mrs. Pearson
4CC: Mr. Curry
Mrs. Powell
5TA: Mrs. Allday
Miss. Chopping & Ms. Allston
5AL: Mrs. Lloyd
Mrs. Garner
6CH: Mrs. Haveron / Mrs. Crawford (job-share)
Mrs. Bennell
6ES: Miss. Stephens
Mrs. Tallowin

Meet the Teacher Sessions

We would like to invite you to meet your child's new class teacher next week! This is an annual event, where the teachers put together a short presentation with all the information you might need for the year ahead. It's a chance to put a face to a name, if you haven't already met, and find out when PE days are and what to expect in your child's new year group.

Monday 11th	9am	Year 1
	1pm	Reception
Tuesday 12th	9am	Year 2
Wednesday 13th	9am	Year 6
Thursday 14th	9am	Year 3
Friday 15th	9am	Years 4 & 5

These meetings are only planned to be 20 (or so) minutes long and are not intended to be an opportunity to discuss individual pupils.

Our new Reception (EYFS) parents have already had this meeting, back in July, but **if you missed it**, this is your opportunity to catch up!

We look forward to seeing you next week!

School Uniform Reminders



It's always good to remind parents about school uniform expectations at Mayflower. The Uniform Policy can be found on the website via this link:

https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/mayflower/UploadedDocument/62eeb90819f046adbadf2965f212a4e7/mayflower-school-uniform-policy-2020_1.pdf

Please remember, trainers are NOT good as everyday school footwear; there is a leaflet all about appropriate footwear also on the website.

Pre-Loved Uniform 'Shop'

Although our pre-loved uniform shop has lost its home for the time being, it is STILL OPEN for business! If you find you are in need of some uniform then please come in and ask either the office or Miss Walker, who can happily help you source something.

We've got jumpers, cardigans, tracksuits, wellies, shoes, coats and polo shirts to get us started, for you to take what you need, or swap something too small for the next size up... (Donations on MCAS welcomed too!)

Please feel free to take what you need and, if you can, make a small donation on MCAS. Alternatively feel free to swap a too-small pair of wellies (for example) and take the next size up.

If anyone has any coat hangers, they could let us have or even a spare clothes rail, then that would be really appreciated.

Diary Dates

4th October:	Individual School Photos
17th & 18th October:	Parents Evening; 5 minutes 'settling in' appointments
23th-27th October:	Half term
3rd November:	Fireworks Event!!
6th – 10th November:	Open days for Prospective Parents of new EYFS children (September 2024 intake) More details to follow.
6th December:	EYFS Nativity Performance 2pm
7th December:	EYFS Nativity Performance 10am
11th December:	KS1 Nativity Performance 1.30pm
12th December:	KS1 Nativity Performance 9.30am
12th December:	KS2 Carol Concert at the school 1.15pm
Monday 18th Dec:	Last day of term for pupils; break up for Christmas (early finish 1pm)

Reading Volunteers

Are you keen to support our pupils? Do you have an hour or so to spare?

Our merry band of volunteer readers has reduced from 7 down to 3 so we are looking for some more reading volunteers to support our children with their reading at school. As a volunteer, you could do something incredible and change a child's prospects by giving them time to practice this lifelong skill and help them develop their skills and confidence, give a child one-to-one attention and be a role model.

Children really benefit from this dedicated time and it boosts their self-esteem and confidence as well as their reading.



If you are interested, please contact the school office.



WARMS Coffee Morning



Mayflower Primary School

Wednesday 20th September

9.00am – 10.00am

The WARMS team will provide a small presentation to introduce themselves and explain what they can offer to our school and parents.

There will also be an opportunity for you to speak to a member of the team from the WARMS service if you have any concerns or questions around your child or yourself, that you may need support with.

And of course, tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided. We look forward to seeing you there!



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