



Busy, busy, busy ...

Dear Parents / Carers,

We've had such a busy start to term! The children have settled in beautifully. It's been particularly wonderful to see the new Year 1 children fitting seamlessly into our whole school assemblies – well done to the children and staff in Year 1 for making such a positive start. In fact, I can say that this has been a lovely start to the year across the school. Myself and senior leaders held a 'Learning Walk' this morning to look at what the learning environment and children's 'learning behaviours' – every single class was calm and productive with children already well settled into their new routines and working hard.

I would also like to formally welcome three new teachers to the school – Mr Ahmed and Miss Long in Year 3 and Miss Brain in Year 4 – they've also all made a really positive start to life in our Fosse family!

Things though will only get busier though as the term goes on. Next week we have: Ukulele lessons starting again in Year 3; safeguarding training for two of our designated safeguarding leads; 'Skipping Henry' back in the playground on Wednesday morning; 4T will be performing their assembly on Thursday afternoon at 2.30 for parents and at 9.00am on Friday for the rest of the school. On Friday we will round off the week with voting for the school council and a non uniform day in aid of the autumn fair. The week after we will have our Autumn Fair on Thursday September 20th – please see the reverse of this letter.

The only major gripe this week has been the large number of children not having suitable plimsoles for PE – please check at the weekend to see if supermarkets etc have them back in stock – you should be able to get some easily now - children do need to change for PE. Almost everyone has been wearing uniform but I've included our expectations below:

- A blue sweatshirt, fleece or cardigan, preferably with the school logo
- A plain white polo shirt or white shirt/blouse. Pale blue polo shirts are also acceptable
- Plain black or grey trousers or skirts can be worn. Skirts should be a suitable length (i.e. only just above the knee) and may be worn with black, grey or blue tights. If socks are worn they must be below the knee
- In warmer weather black or grey shorts or blue check gingham dresses may be worn
- If headscarves are worn they should be plain blue, black or grey
- All footwear should be plain black (no logos)
- Waterproof boots may be worn in bad weather but pupils will be expected to bring a change of footwear for inside
- Basic hair accessories i.e. small hair bobble or hair slides may be worn but should be kept to a minimum

Uniform may be purchased through: [Tesco.com/ues](https://www.tesco.com/ues) but all supermarkets etc. should stock royal blue sweatshirts etc.

You may have noticed the lack of activity at the new school site. The first stage has been completed and Wates, the builders should soon start the building. I attended several meeting over the summer to refine plans and will be meeting next week with the council which should provide some more clarity re timelines.

You will receive more information about the term ahead next week. In the meantime enjoy your weekend!

Best Wishes,
Richard Stone

Headteacher

Mobile Phones at school

I hope you have remembered to put your phone away when you pick up your child or children – it really will help to make the end of the day a bit more special for everyone if every child can share what they have learned during the day. I am convinced that this small thing can have a huge impact. Thank-you 😊