

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023

**Summer Term 2023 – Welcome Back.**

Dear parents/carers

*I hope that you have all had a relaxing Easter holiday and are looking forward to an exciting Summer Term as much as myself and the staff in school are. I know that the children will continue to amaze us with their enthusiasm for learning and thank you in advance, on behalf of all staff and governors, for your continued support throughout the rest of this academic year. I have included in the following information below reminders and updates that I hope you will find useful to support your child's return to school for the Summer Term.*

**School Uniform**

As a school, we are proud of our school uniform and we very much appreciate your adherence to our uniform expectations. Uniform plays a valuable role in contributing to our school ethos and helps to set an appropriate tone. Please ensure that you advise year group staff as to why your child isn't wearing any aspect of the school uniform at any time so that they do not have to approach you unnecessarily. We thank you in advance for supporting us in upholding our standards.

*To confirm, summer uniform (which is to be worn following the Easter holidays until October half term) is as follows:*

Girls:

- green and white checked summer dress with a green cardigan  
*or*
- white polo shirt/blouse and grey skirt / pinafore / trousers with a green cardigan
- plain black, low heeled shoes (no open toe sandals).

Boys:

- grey trousers/shorts and white polo shirt with a green jumper
- plain black school shoes (no trainers/pumps).

A few reminders regarding uniform:

- Plain black shoes must be worn; trainers are not acceptable.
- We do not allow the wearing of jewellery other than one pair of stud earrings (which children must bring in plasters to cover these with during PE and after school sports sessions).
- Nail varnish and make up are also not allowed. Natural coloured hair only allowed.
- Please ensure that all uniform is clearly labelled.

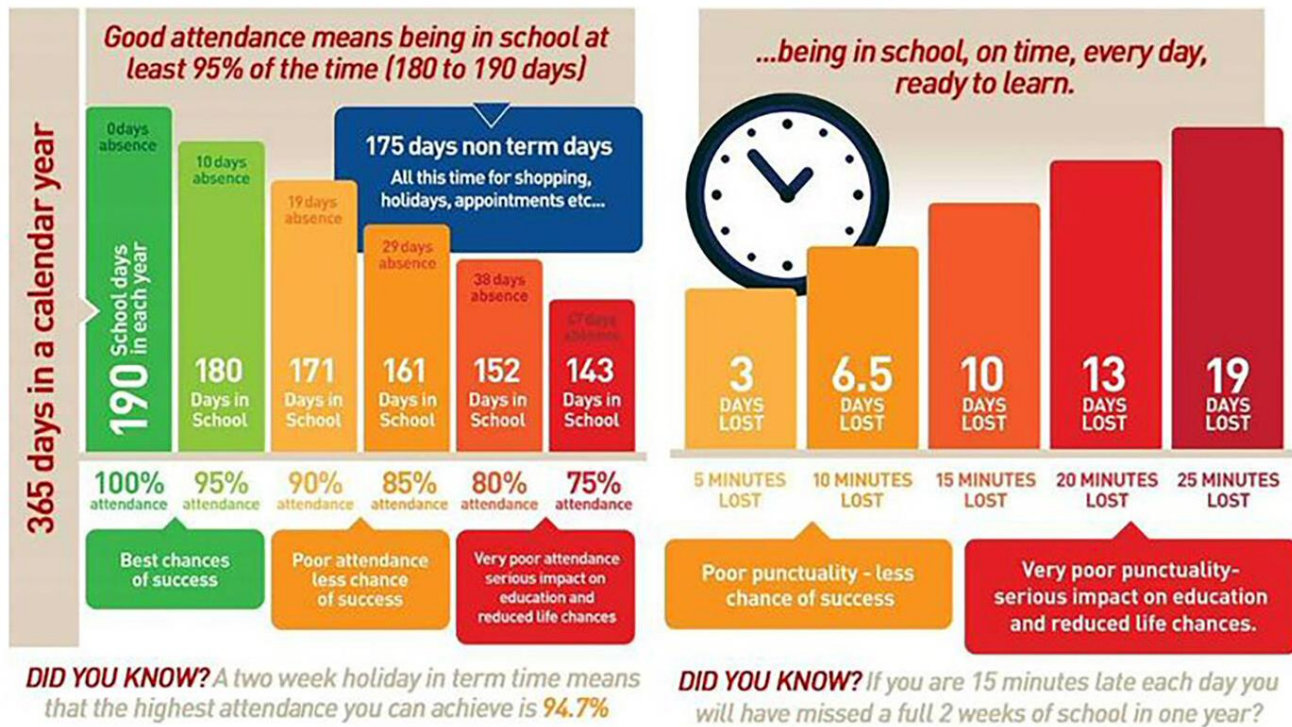
On your child's PE day they should come into school wearing their full PE kit (plain black jogging bottoms, house colour t shirt, plain black jumper/zip up if required and trainers). PE days remain the same.

Please ensure that all uniform is clearly labelled.

Our uniform supplier, Kids Corner (11 Showell Circus, Wolverhampton WV10 9BA), has now reopened, Mon-Fri, 9am-4.30pm. Please call 01902 863222 if you require any further information.

### Attendance and Punctuality

Good attendance and punctuality is crucial in supporting the progress that your child makes within school. The below information highlights the importance for children to be in school and arrive on time and we thank you for ensuring this happens for your child.



A polite reminder that if your child is absent from school, it is your responsibility to inform school of the absence together with the reason for the absence. This needs to take place on the first day that your child is absent from school and then on each subsequent day of absence. The office staff are required to ask you for medical evidence for your child's absence (i.e. GP appointment card/medication/medication packaging/prescriptions/hospital and appointment letters, etc).

A further polite reminder, schools do not authorise term-time holidays. If you do require a leave of absence due to exceptional circumstances, please refer to and complete the relevant documents available from the main office. If you choose to take your child out of school on holiday during term time, this will be classed as an unauthorised absence and the local authority will impose a penalty notice of £60 per child and per parent.

### Summer Term After School Extra Curricular Enrichment Clubs

Thank you to everyone who expressed an interest in booking their child onto an after-school enrichment club for the Summer Term. Messages will be sent out to confirm whether your child has been allocated a place throughout this week. Clubs will start from next week, week beginning 24<sup>th</sup> April. Payment to be made through ParentPay please.



### Summer Term Milk

If you wish for your child to have milk during the Summer Term, the £16 payment on ParentPay should have been made by yesterday (16.04.23). If your child has free school meals or is under 5 on 17.04.2023, you are entitled to free milk and this will be ordered automatically by the school office. *If you are not sure whether you are entitled to free school meals and free milk please speak to the office.*

### Access onto the school site at the start and the end of the day

As shared prior to the Easter holidays, from today, the main school car park will not be accessible to parents/carers, with the main gates to the car park being closed. Therefore, you will no longer be able to use the car park to walk across to access the Twos or Nursery in the morning or when leaving the school site at the end of the school day. Please make use of and follow the path around the car park to access Twos and Nursery at the start of the day and if exiting the school site via the EYFS gate.

Also, for your information, from yesterday, Reception children will be entering school via the main school gate as part of their transition throughout the Summer Term to be KS1 ready.

### Staffing Update

A huge welcome to our Perry Hall family to Mrs Peake who is joining our teaching team as REP class teacher from today. I know that she is thoroughly looking forward to getting to know you all.

### Caterlink—Summer Term Menu

Please find below the Summer Term school lunch menu starting from today: [Perry-Hall-Summer-Term-Menu-2023.pdf \(perryhall.co.uk\)](#). In response to your feedback, we have requested for the dates to be added onto each week— we hope that you find this useful.

### Forthcoming Summer Term Assessments

Throughout the summer term, is the requirement for children in Years 1, 2, 4 and 6 to undertake statutory assessments.

**Year 1 Phonic Screening Check:** All children are required to undertake a phonic screening check of 40 sounds. The test includes both known sounds and nonsense ones. The test will be administered by staff who the children are familiar with. If you were unable to attend the parent/carer workshop, please use this link to access further information: [PowerPoint Presentation \(perryhall.co.uk\)](#).

**Year 2 Standardised Assessment Tests:** All children in Year 2 are required to complete tests in reading and maths arithmetic / reasoning; writing will be teacher assessed. Year 2 staff will use all the daily evidence of children's work within lessons and alongside test outcomes, will formulate their teacher assessment. Throughout the coming weeks, staff will also attend Local Authority moderation sessions whereby children's work will be shared and judgements discussed and agreed. The actual tests will take place in May in a very informal manner thus alleviating any possibility of children becoming worried by them. If you were unable to access the parent/carer workshop, please use this link to access further information: [PowerPoint Presentation \(perryhall.co.uk\)](#).

**Year 4 Multiplication Times Table Check:** Year 4 are required to undertake 25 multiplication questions (up to 12 X 12) digitally, working individually on an iPads. The questions are timed and it is therefore imperative that



children are able to respond rapidly as the test quickly moves on to the next question within 5 seconds. If your child is able to access Times Table Rockstars, this will aid their rapid recall and mental agility in recalling facts. Thank you. If you were unable to attend the parent/carer workshop, please use this link to access further information: [PowerPoint Presentation \(perryhall.co.uk\)](#).

Year 6 Key Stage Two Standardised Assessment Tests: A milestone within Year 6's learning journey, the KS2 tests in reading, spelling, grammar and punctuation and mathematics will take place in May. The tests are designed to assess and capture the children's learning, knowledge and skills within these core areas; writing is assessed using the breadth of evidence within children's exercise books from across the curriculum. Year 6 teachers also attend Local Authority moderation sessions alongside colleagues from other schools to validate their teacher assessments. If you were unable to attend the parent/carer workshop, please access the following link for further information: [PowerPoint Presentation \(perryhall.co.uk\)](#).

### **National Education Union (NEU) STRIKE ACTION – April and May 2023**

It has recently been confirmed that further strike action has been agreed: Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May. Again, this is a national dispute and is therefore not confined to our school or Local Authority alone. This industrial action may result in classes having to close- if your child's class is affected then we will inform you as soon as possible, but to note, this could be as late as the morning of the strike day.

### **Upcoming Dates**

- Week beginning 24<sup>th</sup> April- Extracurricular Summer Term clubs begin
- 24.04.23—Year 6 National Dental Epidemiology Programme (forms for this have been sent home— please complete and return if you child is taking part)
- 24.04.23 and 25.04.23 —NCMP – Reception (School Nurses- height and weight)
- 01.05.23—Bank holiday— school closed to all children
- 04.05.23—School closed to Two's-Year 5 pupils Polling Day (Year 6 pupils are expected to still attend school)
- 08.05.23—Bank holiday—King's Coronation— school closed to all children
- 09.05.23-12.05.23—Year 6 SATs week
- 15.05.23—KS1 SATs begin
- 29.05.23-02.06.23—May Half Term
- 05.06.23– INSET day– school closed to all children
- 06.06.23- Children return to school for the Summer 2 Term
- w.b. 05.06.23- 3 week window for the Year 4 statutory MTC to take place.
- w.b. 26.06.23- Whole School Growing and Changing themed PHSE week (letter to follow).
- 28.06.23- Reception visit to Lower Drayton Farm.
- 03.07.23– INSET day– school closed to all children.

Further dates will be shared with you as the term progresses.

*Once again, thank you for your continued support and I look forward to a productive and successful Summer Term.*

Yours sincerely

Mrs C Gibbins  
Head of School.