



Wheatcroft Primary School



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Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome to the new academic year, we hope you and your families have enjoyed a lovely summer together. It has been a busy week of settling into new classes and routines but I have been impressed with how well the children and staff have settled. We would like to extend a warm welcome to our new children and their families in Nursery and Reception, and hope that you have felt welcomed into the Wheatcroft School community.

The teachers have worked together to plan an exciting and engaging curriculum for the pupils. We look forward to seeing you at our parent meetings next week to share more information.

KS1 parents/carers	Tuesday 13 th September	4:30pm
Lower Key-stage 2 parents/carers (3&4)	Tuesday 13 th September	5:00pm
Reception parents/carers	Thursday 15 th September	4:30pm
Upper Key-stage 2 parents/carers (5&6)	Thursday 15 th September	5:00pm

These meetings are for parents and carers to give you the opportunity to find out about the expectations around your child's class. However, if you are unable to attend, all documents will be sent out to you following the meeting.

We have lots of other exciting events happening this year, dates for your calendars will be sent to you early next week.

We look forward to sharing another year with you all.

Yours sincerely

Mrs D Miller

Headteacher

Summer Reading Challenge – We will be celebrating those who have taken part in this over the summer in our assembly on Thursday 15th September. Please ensure your child brings their certificate and medal into school that day.

Contacting the School Office - The school office hours for parent communication are between 8:30am and 4:30pm (4:00pm on Friday) these are the core times when most staff are available. Can you please ensure all communication is carried out between these times. If emails are received out of these hours they will be read and responded to if required, but not until after the office opens at 8:30am.

Emails – Electronic communication remains our main method to contact you. If for any reason you are unable to receive emails please let us know so that we can arrange to send home a copy. In addition please ensure you keep us informed of any change of details to ensure you are kept updated. We regret that our system will only allow us to send emails and texts to your number one priority contact. Please ensure that we always hold your current email and telephone number.

Parent Helpers – If you hold a current DBS & have had your safeguarding talk, please come in and help. We welcome any support you can offer. Please speak with your child's class teacher about your availability.

Absences – Can we please remind you that if your child is absent for any reason a call must be made to the school office on day one between 8:30-8:45am. This must be followed up in writing on the child's return to school.

Meals – The School Meals ordering system provided by HCL is Live Kitchen www.live-kitchen.co.uk
The daily cost is £2.90 per child (£2.40 Nursery), please remember meals must be paid for in advance if a Direct Debit has not been set up. Please note that HCL will charge now if a meal is ordered and you choose to bring in a packed lunch.



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School Uniform – Can you please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform, this is explained on the website. Can you pay particular attention to jewellery, hair accessories and appropriate footwear for both indoors and outdoors. A gentle reminder that nail varnish, make-up and hair gel are not allowed and long hair must be tied back. *Please speak with the PTFA to find out about a uniform swap WhatsApp group that has been set up by one of our parents. This is a great way to save money and waste on school uniform.*

Clubs – We are working closely with Foundation Sports this year to provide more opportunities for sporting clubs. We have been looking for opportunities to provide our children with a breadth of activities through our school clubs for other curriculum areas such as Music, Art, MFL and many more. We would really appreciate any help you can give us with these. If you have any particular skills and have some time after school between 3:13-4:15 please do contact the school office to let us know. More information regarding school-led clubs will be sent out soon.

Data Collection Sheets – These were included with your end of year reports. Please ensure these are returned to the office as soon as possible as it is essential we have the correct information for your child.

Secondary Transfer - Our local Secondary Schools will shortly be holding their open days/evenings to allow prospective new parents to see the school. Year 5 parents may like to take the opportunity to visit the schools they are interested in this year and make a return visit again next year before making your final selection. Please visit the school websites for more information on times and booking.



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