

Aqueduct Primary School September 2017



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Welcome back!

What a wonderful first week back we have had. Children have settled well into their new classes and are already showing great attitudes to learning. It has been lovely to see all the children in their new uniforms, they all look so smart. If you have ordered uniform from our supplier and are still waiting, we can only apologise and assure you we are nagging them as much as we can to try to get it to you ASAP. Until then, cardigans and jumpers without the logo are fine to wear. Thank you to all parents who have shown that you understand the importance of all children wearing our logo with pride.

Attendance

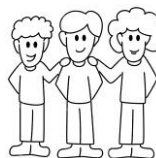
We will continue to publish the attendance data within our monthly newsletter and will continue to track attendance closely. Our school attendance target continues to be 96%.



The Friends of Aqueduct Primary School

We would like to welcome all parents old and new and will be holding a welcome coffee afternoon at 3pm on **Monday 11th September** in the demountable. Please come along for a coffee and a chat to meet us and find out about what we do and how you can join in.

Our first AGM meeting will be held in school on **Thursday 14th September** at 6pm.



We welcome new members and would greatly appreciate any support that you can offer so that we can continue to provide fun activities for your children throughout the year. We look forward to seeing you at one of the meetings.



Messages & Reminders

If you haven't had a chance to meet your child's class teacher yet, we will be having a drop in session before half term so that you can do so and have a look at your child's books while you are there. This worked well last year and parents were very positive about this being on offer.

Thank you to all parents who have booked after school clubs for this term. I have greatly appreciated the enthusiasm towards the clubs on offer and the feedback I have received so far. Please continue to provide your feedback as we will look again at how to improve the process in the spring term.

Last year the children, staff, governors and parents chose 6 values (written at the bottom of the page on all letters and newsletters!) We have decided that because these words were so important to everyone that these are the foundations for all we do in school. Therefore, this year our behaviour policy, learning attitudes, reward systems and evaluations of success are all built on these 6 values and replace the previous 'Keys to Success'.

Postcards home had a great response from parents and children last year so will continue to be used this year. You should spot a small change to the postcards but I am sure that the children will love them.

If you come to school in a car, please can I remind you that there is **NO PARKING** on the yellow lines or across the white lines in front of the resident's driveways.

Thank you.

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New this year - Reading

By now your children should have come home with a new reading diary. These are designed to be more beneficial to parents to provide advice about how to help your child read, what they need to be able to do by the end of the year and include other advice and useful tips. These are much more expensive than homework diaries so if your child loses their diary, we will be asking for a £1 contribution towards a new one. If they complete their diaries, they will be given a new one free of charge. The children should also have told you about their new reading bookmarks. These include spaces for stickers which teachers put on after a child has read to an adult and a comment has been recorded. Once the bookmark is full of stickers your child will be able to choose a free reading book to take home and keep as a reward for dedicated reading. The class 'Top Reader' will also be published in the newsletters. Mrs Clarke will be offering a 'Reading Workshop'



for all parents on Wednesday 4th October at 5pm and we look forward to seeing you all there. We will also be celebrating Roald Dahl Day and giving the children the opportunity to dress up at their favourite Roald Dahl character. We will be asking for a £1 donation which will be donated to the Roald Dahl charity. For more information visit <http://www.roalddahl.com/charity>



Dates for your diary

Autumn half term - Monday 23rd October - Friday 27th October 2017

Back to school - Monday 30th October 2017

Last day of the Autumn term - Friday 15th December 2017

Autumn term class assemblies - Monday afternoon at 2:30pm	
Monday 16 th October 2017	Miss Plowman
Monday 20 th November 2017	Miss Santopietro
Monday 22 nd January 2018	Mrs Mann
Monday 12 th February 2018	Miss Waring
Monday 26 th February 2018	Mr Palin
Monday 5 th March 2018	Miss Harrow
Monday 19 th March 2018	Mr Westwood
Monday 7 th May 2018	Miss Cadwallader
Monday 4 th June 2018	Miss Larlham
Monday 18 th June 2018	Miss Griffiths

Date & time	Year Group	Event
Monday 11 th September - 3pm	All/Parents	FOAPS coffee event in demountable
Monday 11 th September	Class 5 & 7 (JeC & KS)	Visit to Tesco - Farm to Fork Trail
Tuesday 12 th September	Class 6 (EP)	Visit to Tesco - Farm to Fork Trail
Thursday 14 th September - 6pm	All/Parents	FOAPS AGM
Wednesday 20 th September 3pm - 4pm	All	Parent drop in session
Friday 22 nd September	All	Roald Dahl Day - Dress as your favourite Roald Dahl character.
Wednesday 4 th October	All	Reading Workshop
Wednesday 11 th October	All	Individual photos
Monday 6 th November 3:30 - 5:30pm	All	Parents Evening
Tuesday 7 th November 1:30 - 4:30pm	Year 3 & 4	Parent consultations
Wednesday 8 th November 1:30 - 4:30pm	Year 5 & 6	Parent consultations
Thursday 9 th November 1:30 - 4:30pm	Year Reception 1 & 2	Parent consultations
13 th -17 th November	All	Anti-Bullying Week
Tuesday 14 th November	All	Wear Blue Day - Anti Bullying
Tuesday 5 th December	Year Reception	Christmas Performance
Wednesday 6 th December	Year 1 & 2	Christmas Performance

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