

Newsletter 1

September 2023

Welcome

A huge welcome back to all our families and welcome to all our new families. It has been super to see children in every class this week with our reception children in school in the mornings and Diamonds class children coming in and starting their sessions. The classes are full of busy chatter, just how it should be.

Our KS1 classes have settled really well and have been exploring Sparhawk's values with tasks and challenges.

Being the first newsletter of the year, this is full of reminders and information

Parking

As we start a new school year with new parents driving to school, please can I remind you not to park on the pavements and to **always make sure that emergency vehicles can drive along the road.**

Lunch Choices

Please can you enter you child's lunch choice onto Pupil Asset. This can be done 13 weeks in advance and can be changed. We have many incidences of children not knowing what they are eating and want to make sure that they are receiving the meal that you expect them to have.

FOSSA

Fossa is our amazing friends group that raise money and support the school. Just this week we feared that we were going to have to cancel a trip to the Dinosaur Park for KS1as we were short of contributions. However, FOSSA stepped in to make the money up to allow the trip to go ahead. Thank you!

On Thursday 5th October at 3:30pm FOSSA are holding their AGM. We would love to see you there. If you pick up at 3:00pm and would like to wait at school, that will be fine.

We hold the meeting in the classroom so any children that you may have to bring ,have a film to watch and activities to do while the meeting is taking place.

Please come along and add your ideas to the Friends of the School's fundraising plans.

Attendance

Please find attached the county attendance letter. Also attached is a chart from the Public Health Agency titled 'Do I need to keep my child off school' which you may find useful.

Diary Dates

September

- 19th 1:30pm Maths Workshop for
Reception parents
- 21st 1:30pm Phonics workshop for
Reception parents
- 2:00pm Year 1 Curriculum meeting
- 22nd KS1 Dinosaur Park visit
- 26th 2:30pm Year 2 Curriculum Meeting

October

- 10th 10:00am Tour for the parents of children
starting Nursery in September 2024.
- 2:00pm Tour for the parents of children
starting in Reception in September 2024.
- 11th Individual photos
- 16th Diamond parents evening
- 17th Parents Evening—Not Diamonds
- 18th Parents Evening.
- 20th Show Racism The Red Card Day.

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- 30th Back to School

November

- 7th 5:30pm Nursery Presentation Evening for
parents of children starting nursery in Sept 2024
- 14th 5:30pm Reception Presentation Evening for
parents of children starting Reception in Sept 2024
- 29th 10:00am Tour for the parents of children
starting Reception in September 2024.
- 30th 2:00pm Tour for the parents of
children starting Nursery in September 2024.

December

- 12th 9:30am KS1 Christmas Performance
- 1:45pm Reception Christmas Performance
- 13th 9:30pm Diamonds Christmas Performance
- 14th 9:30am Reception Christmas Performance
- 1:45pm KS1 Christmas Performance
- 20th Last day of school

Emails from Pupil Asset

We send many of our emails out through Pupil Asset but cannot receive emails back to Pupil Asset. Please can you send emails to :

office@sparhawk.school or
Finance@sparhawk.school

Pre-loved Uniform

Please don't forget we have pre-loved uniform available in the foyer. Thank you so much for all your kind donations but we don't need any more uniform at this time.

Dawn's New Horizons will accept uniforms and they are opening a new shop on Corbet Avenue

No Nuts Policy

We have some children in school who suffer from severe nut allergies, please could we take this opportunity to remind everyone that our school endeavours to have a "No Nuts Policy". This means that the following items should not be brought into school:

- Packs of nuts
- Peanut butter sandwiches
- Nutella/ chocolate and nut spread sandwiches
- Fruit and cereal bars that contain nuts ie tracker bars
- Chocolate bars or sweets that contain nuts
- Sesame seed rolls (children allergic to nuts may also have a severe reaction to sesame)
- Pesto
- Cakes made with nuts

We do not use nuts in any of our food prepared on site at our school.

If there are any issues that you feel arise as a result of this policy, please do feel free to come and see me to discuss them and if your child develops any allergies, please inform the school.