Half Acres Primary Academy

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Friday 15th September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

The first full week in school has quickly come to an end but we continue to see great achievement and progress from our children. Your support, communication and encouragement are very much appreciated and I have enjoyed many conversations with some of you this week. Children are looking smart in their uniforms, showing respect and manners when moving around school and excited about learning new skills and information.



Meet the teacher

You will have received a letter earlier this week regarding the opportunity to come into class and find out more about your child's learning and expectations next week.

Dates and times are as follows and we look forward to welcoming you into school.

Reception – Mrs Foster	Wednesday 20 th 2.50pm
Reception – Miss Nalson	Friday 22 nd 2.50pm
Year 1T – Miss Taylor	Thursday 21 st 9am
Year 1AP – Mrs Asquith and Mrs Panton	Wednesday 20 th 9am
Year 2C – Miss Cawthorne	Thursday 21 st 2.50pm
Year 2K – Mrs Kendell	Thursday 21 st 2.50pm
Year 3Br – Mr Brookes	Friday 22 nd 2.50pm
Year 3Be – Miss Beard	Friday 22 nd 2.50pm
Year 4NR – Miss Naylor and Miss Rowell	Wednesday 20 th 2.50pm
Year 4W – Miss Wilby	Wednesday 20 th 2.50pm
Year 5B – Mr Best	Thursday 21 st 9am
Year 5R – Mrs Robertson	Wednesday 20 th 2.50pm
Year 6R – Miss Richardson	Wednesday 20 th 9am

Y5 Swimming

As you may be aware, Normanton swimming pool is undergoing building work which has unfortunately been delayed in its completion. The most recent update tells us that the work is planned to be completed by 26th September following which, we will receive a further update regarding our swimming sessions commencing.

Attendance

We are working very hard to improve our school attendance in line the expected 97% minimum target. We would of course aspire to achieve 100% from all children every day, every week, for the whole year but do understand that illness cannot be avoided.

We will be introducing a new attendance incentive which will award children with a ticket for 100% attendance over each full week in school. Children will add their ticket to the box every Friday as this is achieved.

On the final day of each term the draw will be made in each key stage in school – Early Years (reception and nursery) KS1 (Year 1 and 2) LKS2 (Year 3 and 4) UKS2 (Year 5 and 6) The winning tickets will each receive a themed family box of goodies and a £10 ASDA voucher. We are thankful to ASDA for supporting us with this incentive.

Attendance for this week

Nursery AM 96.43% Nursery PM 76.47% Nursery whole 94.27% EY2F 95.77% EY2N 97.60% Y1AP 97.86% Y1T 98.93% Y2C 86.90% Y2K 94.33% Y3Be 85.52% Y3Br 95.68% Y4NR 100.00% Y4W 94.40% Y5B 95.00%
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Y5B 95.00%
Y5R 94.67%
Y6R 98.53%
Whole school 94.94%



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Kind regards Mrs Taylor