



NEWS *letter*

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Dear Parents

Welcome back

Welcome back to all families after what I hope was a good summer break. Pupils are settling into new routines ahead of another busy year. A special welcome goes to new pupils and new members of staff, Mrs Fenning, deputy headteacher with a teaching commitment in Upper School, Miss Raby in Foundation Stage and Mr Gillard in Middle School.

Uniform and related matters

The majority of pupils have returned looking smart, wearing correct school uniform. Please can you ensure that your child's uniform is in line with the following guidance.

- Grey/Navy trousers/shorts/skirt/pinafore
- Red and white checked summer dress
- Red sweatshirt/cardigan*
- White/red polo shirt or white shirt/blouse
- Grey/white or black tights/socks
- Black flat heeled shoes/sandals

*Preference for sweatshirts and cardigans with the Aldryngton logo which are available from the school office.

In particular, we ask that your child wears shoes rather than trainers. Sports footwear should only be worn for PE lessons and when using the outdoor play equipment. As always, please label all items of clothing with your child's full name.

Finally, pupils should not wear nail polish, decorative hair braids or jewellery, with the exception of watches and ear studs. Long hair should be tied back.

I thank you in advance for your support in ensuring our pupils are as smartly presented as possible.

School childcare facilities

FACE events runs a new breakfast club and an after school club based in the school's computer suite operating daily during term time. Please note that the pre-existing Aldryngton after school club continues to be based at Maiden Erlegh school.

Late collection

We would like to remind parents that the school office closes at 4.30pm. After this time, school staff will not be available to supervise pupils awaiting collection from after school clubs. **Please note that emails into the school office are not monitored regularly after 3pm.**

Little Canada

Next week, Year 6 pupils will be travelling to the Isle of Wight to enjoy a week of outdoor and adventurous activities. We hope they have lots of fun and succeed in meeting the many challenges awaiting them, not least keeping their dormitories tidy!! We look forward to following your progress on the school website at [HERE](#).

School Admissions

If you have a child born between 1st September 2015 and August 31st 2016 please ensure that you contact Wokingham Borough Council School Admissions on 0118 974 6245 or email: school.admissions@wokingham.gov.uk as soon as possible. This will enable the Local Authority to distribute application forms and guides in November for completion by January 15th 2020. For further information click [HERE](#)

Year 6 Secondary School Admissions

This week we distributed application packs to all pupils in Year 6 to enable parents to apply for their child's Secondary school. Further information located [HERE](#)

URGENT HELP NEEDED!

Grounds Working Party

SATURDAY 5th October

10:00am - 1:00pm

The jobs we are looking to complete are:

**General grounds tidy and
clear around the storage areas**

**Please contact school office if you are
available to help**

Refreshments provided

Bag 2 School



The PTA will be hosting another Bag2School event on

Thursday 24th October

Further information will be sent home via a letter with a recycle bag giving full details of the scheme. We hope you are able to support us once again by returning your bags full of any unwanted re-usable textiles where it will be collected at the start of the day by a representative of the company. Thank you for all your support.

Letters to parents

Letters issued from 04/09/19 - 11/09/19

Foundation Stage	- Gym Club
Lower School	- Windsor Castle
Upper School	- Yr 5 visit Reading University
Whole School	- Drop off Collection procedures

If you require a copy please click [HERE](#)

Reminder: Don't forget to check your ParentMail for forms and invoices sent.

Elaine Stewart



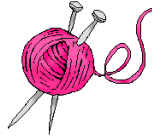
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Knitting Club

Mrs Feist is looking for new helpers to continue her knitting club. If you are available to help on Wednesday from 12:30pm - 1:00pm please can you contact the school office.



Mrs Feist would like to greet old and new knitters from years 3-6 to assist with making squares for lap blankets to donate to a local care home. Please go to the Community room on Wednesday lunchtimes. Knitting needles can be purchased for £2.

Next PTA AGM meeting
Thursday October 3rd - 7pm
All parents welcome

Spare Clothes

Foundation Stage are looking for any unwanted old school uniform particularly boy's socks and underwear ideally for ages 4-6 please. If you have any spare please can you bring to the school office. Thank you.

Breaktime snacks

All children have been reminded that if they wish to eat a snack during morning break they need to ensure that it isn't sweets, chocolate based or crisps. This is one of the ways in which we hope to develop and encourage the children to adopt a healthy lifestyle. May we respectfully ask that these items are not included in your child's snack.

Cycling and scooters

In the interests of safety may we remind parents and children that cycling is strictly prohibited on school grounds. Please can I ask that bicycles and scooters are dis-mounted when arriving at school and to use the perimeter entrance when opened and not the staff car park. Storage can be found behind the PTA garage and to the front of the school. Thank you.

School Lunch - Caterlink

We compile the accounts for school lunch on a daily basis and it is a requirement from Caterlink that no account should be in debt of more than £5.00. To reduce the amount of administration time we politely ask for parents to keep track of their child's account and top-up on a regular basis either online or by cash via the school office. Thank you for your cooperation.

Cross Country t-shirts for sale
£5.50
from the school office

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Sept 16 th	Yr6 Little Canada
Sept 18 th	Yr5 trip to UoR Dept of Food Science
Sept 20 th	Foundation Stage My First Day Photo
Sept 25 th	Lower School trip to Windsor Castle
Oct 1 st	Lower School Parent Reading and Phonics session 3:30pm
Oct 3 rd	School Photographer
Oct 3 rd	PTA AGM Meeting 7pm
Oct 8 th	Middle School trip to Ufton Court
Oct 10 th	Cross Country @ Blue Coat
Oct 15 th	Harvest assembly
Oct 16 th	Prospective Parent Open Morning 9:30am
Oct 17 th	Upper School visit St.Peter's Church
Oct 24 th	Bag2School Collection
Oct 24 th	Lower School visit St.Peter's Church
Oct 24 th	PTA School Disco
Oct 24 th	Last day of half term
Oct 25 th	Inset Day - School closed to pupils
Oct 28 th - Nov 1 st	SCHOOL CLOSED - Half Term
Nov 4 th	Pupils return to school
Nov 4 th	Upper School Science Dome in school
Nov 6 th	Flu vaccinations for whole school
Nov 7 th	Middle School visit St.Peter's Church
Nov 11 th	Armistice Day
Nov 14 th	Cross Country @ Lightwater
Nov 26 th	Upper School CM class Reading Museum
Nov 27 th	Upper School NWCF class Reading Museum
Nov 28 th	Upper School ED class Reading Museum
Dec 3 rd	Parents' Evening 3:30pm details to follow
Dec 4 th	Parents' Evening 4:40pm details to follow
Dec 10 th	Foundation Stage RE inspired in school
Dec 12 th	Lower School Nativity 2:00pm
Dec 13 th	Lower School Nativity 2:00pm
Dec 17 th	Foundation Stage Nativity 2:00pm
Dec 18 th	Foundation Stage Nativity 2:00pm
Dec 19 th	Pantomime to whole school in hall
Dec 20 th	Last Day of Autumn Term
Dec 21 st - Jan 1 st Jan	SCHOOL CLOSED
Jan 6 th	Pupils return to school