

Dear Parents

The Summer Term at Cedars is off to a super start. The children are happy, showing care towards others and being successful in their learning.



As usual we have a number of updates and reminders.

Starting School in September 2021 - Reception



Due to the low birth rate this year, we are not full in Reception for September 2021. If you know of any local families looking for a school place for their reception aged child (4 years old) in September 2021, we would very much appreciate you recommending Cedars Primary School.

Attendance

Whilst we appreciate that we've not had the opportunity in a while to take a holiday, please remember that the school is **unable to authorise any absence in term time for holidays**. The threshold at which children are considered to be 'persistently absent' is 90%. This means that if a child has attended for 90% (fewer) school sessions in a school year, they are considered as 'persistently absent' and may be referred to the local authority. Term dates can be found on our school website.

Number of days absent	% of whole school year
5	2.6%
7	3.7%
10	5.3%
15	7.9%
17	8.9%
19	10% (persistently absent)

There are 190 school days in each school year. Expected attendance is 97%+ which equates to less than 10 days' absence in a school year.

Biking and Scootering

It is wonderful to see so many children biking and scootering to school. Please can we ask that your child walks their bike and scooter when on the playground as it is too busy to ride.



RSHE Parent Consultation



Many thanks for taking the time to consider the information and share your views on our Relationships Education, Sex Education and Health Education (RSHE) Curriculum and Policy. We are delighted with your feedback and are currently putting together a document to answer the questions you have raised.

Uniform

You can purchase the school's uniform from Maisies or My Clothing (formerly Tesco). Maisies can be found at 60-64 Church Street, Wolverton, Milton Keynes MK12 5JW. The uniform can be purchased either in-store or online from: www.maisies-superstore.co.uk To order from My Clothing please log on to www.myclothing.com

The School continues to sell the Cedars' Caps and Cedars' PE Bags.

Cedars Primary Uniform Expectations

- Royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo on
- Yellow polo shirt with school logo on (*white polo shirts without school logo may be worn as an alternative*)
- Grey trousers / skirts / pinafores
- Blue-check or striped Summer dress / grey school shorts for the summer

- Black shoes
- Cedars' Cap (optional)
- Cedars' Book Bag (optional)
- Cedars' PE Bag (optional)

Physical Education

- Royal blue polo shirt with logo (*Royal blue polo shirt without logo maybe be worn as an alternative*)
- Black shorts
- Royal blue hoodie with logo (*Royal blue hoodie without logo maybe be worn as an alternative*)
- Black tracksuit bottoms
- Trainers

Virtual Class Assemblies

The Virtual Class Assemblies are being produced by the children according the school's annual calendar. If your child's assembly has not been released and should have been, this is because we are waiting for all parents in that class to respond regarding permissions. Thank you for your understanding.

Virtual Parents Evening



Yesterday we invited you to book, due to the pandemic, an overdue Parents Evening for either **Wednesday 19th May 2021** or **Thursday 20th May 2021**. The teachers are looking forward to discussing your child's achievements and progress.

Calendar of Events - new dates

(Note: *If we are fully out of Lockdown, parents, carers and other family members are invited to attend)

Summer 1 Term 2021

- ✚ 30th April 2021 - Miss Saddler's Virtual Class Assembly
- ✚ 7th May 2021 - Miss Hudson's Virtual Class Assembly
- ✚ 14th May 2021 - Mrs Lockley's Virtual Class Assembly
- ✚ 19th May - Parents' Evening 3:30pm-6pm via Zoom
- ✚ 20th May 2021 - Parents' Evening 4pm-8pm via Zoom
- ✚ 28th May 2021 - Miss Parker-Ralf's Virtual Class Assembly

Summer 2 Term 2021

- ✚ 25th June 2021, 2:30pm - £10 Challenge* - come and buy!
- ✚ 26th June 2021, 11:00am-1:00pm - PTFA Summer Fair*
- ✚ 29th June 2021, 10:45am - Nursery Sports Day *
- ✚ 30th June, 6pm - Reception Parent Induction Meeting
- ✚ 7th July 2021, 9:30am - Reception Year Group Assembly*
- ✚ 7th July, 6pm - Nursery Induction Parent Meeting
- ✚ Now 2nd July, 9:30am - Sports Day followed by a Picnic on the field* - change of date due to year 6 children transitioning to Ousedale being off site on the 9th July 2021

- ✚ 14th July at 2pm, 15th July, 6pm - Year 6 Production*
- ✚ 14th July - Children meet their new Class Teacher
- ✚ 15th July, 3:20pm-4pm - Years 1-6 Parents meet their child's new Class Teacher*
- ✚ 16th July - Annual Report sent to Parents
- ✚ 19th July, 6pm - Year 1 Parent Induction Meeting
- ✚ 20th July, 1:45pm - Year 6 Awards Afternoon Tea*
- ✚ 21st July, 6pm - Year 3 Parent Induction Meeting
- PTFA Discos and Celebration of Learning with Parents* to be confirmed

Please see our website for 2021-2022 Term Dates.

Thank you as always for your continued support.

Warm regards
Lisa Munday