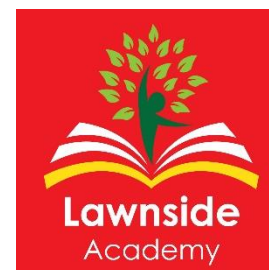


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Tuesday 18th June 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

Please can we politely request that you do not let your children play on the pirate ship, trim trail or field before and after school. These are wet and slippery in the morning, therefore dangerous, and children are bringing wet / muddy feet into school.

The gates are opened at 8:40am, and the bell is rung at 8:50am. This only gives children 10 minutes before school; where they need to be fully supervised by parents, please.

Children are not permitted to climb the trees at any point during the day at Lawnside.

I wanted to write this week to share and explain all of the end of year arrangements and dates at Lawnside.

Thursday 20th June - KS2 visit to Verulamium.

Friday 28th June - Sports Day, all day. Mr. Vince has already shared information and timings regarding this. Sports Day has been moved earlier as we are anticipating that CBC will be starting the enabling works for our transition to Primary and our school field will likely be fenced off for the duration of July.

Friday 5th July - end of year reports sent home to parents (to include classes for next academic year).

Monday 8th July - KS1 visit to Windsor.

Tuesday 9th July @ 3:30pm - Open Evening. This is a celebration of work event where you will be able to see some examples of your children's work in their current classes as well as visit their new classes / meet their new teacher(s) for next year.

We are saying goodbye to Mrs. Gower at the end of this year. Mrs. Gower is retiring, having taught at Lawnside for 38 years. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs. Gower for her commitment to Lawnside for this length of time and to wish her an enjoyable, well-earned, retirement.

We have appointed 2 new teachers for September; Miss Hickton will be teaching in Year 3 full-time and Mrs. Brown will be teaching 1 day in Year 1 and 1 day in Year 2.



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Thursday 11th July - all children will spend the morning in their new class with their new teacher(s) (except for Miss Hickton's new class - this will be on Wednesday 17 July).

Monday 15th July - Eiffel Sports Day, all day. Please can all children come to school in their PE kits for this day - this day is for children only.

Friday 19th July - Rock Steady Concert (by invitation only) and last day of academic year.

Wednesday 4th September - first school day of new academic year.

Sun Safety

We will keep an eye on the weather at school and, if it is particularly hot and sunny between 11am and 3pm, when the sun is at its strongest, we will change the arrangements for outdoor play ensuring that the children are not outside for any length of time (we will also encourage the children to play in the shade).

Before school, please cover exposed parts of your child's skin with sunscreen, even on cloudy or overcast days. Use one that has a sun protection factor (SPF) of 15 or above and is effective against UVA and UVB. Don't forget to apply it to their shoulders, nose, ears, cheeks, the tops of their feet and the back of their neck.

Please send your child to school with a filled bottle of water every day (NOT PRIME DRINKS, PLEASE) and a sun hat - preferably a hat with a wide brim that shades their face and neck. If the children do not have a hat, they will not be allowed to play in the full sun on the field and/or on the playground.

We are happy for your child to bring sunglasses to school to protect their eyes. Please ensure that these meet the British Standard (BSEN 1836:2005) and carry the CE mark - check the label; please do not send children in wearing toy sunglasses as these offer little UV protection. **Please note, these sunglasses will be the children's, not the staff's, responsibility to look after.**

Children still need to wear sensible school shoes please - no strappy sandals or flip-flops as these are dangerous when the children are running around.

Yours sincerely



Cheryl Johnson
Head Teacher



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