



## Fairisle Junior School

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### WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

Dear Parents and Families,

Firstly I would like to welcome everybody back to school after the summer break. Just to remind everyone that we start at **8.45am** every morning and the children need to arrive between 8.40am and 8.45am to ensure they are in class and ready to learn at the start of every day.

As always, traffic around the site is an ongoing issue. The school has no responsibility for public roads. However, if you are driving, we would ask that you park at Sainsbury's or away from the school site and use the subways and paths to reach us.

### Medicines, Resources and Water

Should your child require prescribed medicine to be in school please contact the school office for an administration of medicines form.

We provide all children with a new named water bottle. However, as of this year children can use this or bring in their own water bottle from home. The school will cease to provide water bottles when the existing stock is depleted. We reserve the right to say that certain bottles are not brought in. By way of example, please do not bring in large 'Stanley' style cups or 'Air Up' bottles or equivalent. The only drink permitted is water.

The children have also been given their new planner as well as all the equipment they will need for the year. It is vital that your child reads with an adult at home and that the planner is signed and is brought into school every day.

### Attendance

Children should attend school every day subject to them being well enough. Importantly, the penalty notice system changed last year and fines are higher for those with repeated



unauthorised absences. We will be continuing to celebrate good attendance this year, with our 'In It to Win It' days each half term as well as rewards for 100% attendance. Mrs Wakefield, Mrs Payne and I are always happy to support on attendance issues.

## **Staff News**

We would like to extend a very warm welcome to our new teacher colleagues Mr Angus Hannigan (Year 4), Miss Katie Lewis (Year 5) and Miss Amelia Lomax (Year 6) as well as Miss Caroline King who is working as a Teaching Assistant in Year 3. We're really pleased to have you all on the team.

Yesterday, I presented on our priorities for the year ahead and just how much difference an individual teacher can make to the progress of children in their class.

## **'Respect, Ready, Safe' at Fairisle Junior School**

Today we reminded all the children about *Respect, Ready, Safe*, which is designed to make our school a happier place for everyone. We have also re-affirmed our expectations regarding behaviour and the quality of everything done by the children and adults in our school. We are looking forward to a really productive and positive year. The biggest impact on behaviour is when schools and families work together to support one another.

## **School Uniform**

The letter before the holiday outlined our expectations around school uniform. Please ensure your children are in the correct uniform and have the correct PE kit. The uniform in the school today was outstanding – thank you.

## **Pupil Contact Details**

If you have any new contact numbers, (especially mobile numbers) please do let our admin team know. Safeguarding guidance expects schools to seek at least **two contacts** for each child in case of emergency. Please also make sure that we have an up to date email address for you so that we can email you copies of newsletters and letters from your child's teacher.

## **School Lunches**

The cost of a lunch remains at £3.20 each day and payment can be made in the office or via SCOPAY.

I have taken the decision to close the school X account. In reality the account is rarely used now with the exception of informing parents of lunch options, information which is available from other sources. The menu can be accessed on our [school website](#), on the [City Catering website](#) and a paper copy has also been sent home with all children today. Spare copies are kept in the office. **Remember this week is Week 2 of the menu.**

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind all parents and families that we are a nut-free school.



The secondary transfer portal for Year 6 parents is now open and all applications for next September's Year 7 **must be made by Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October**. Please come and speak with a member of our admin team if you need any help with making an application.

Year leaders will also be writing to parents with details of PE days etc. and all our curriculum information is uploaded to our school website [here](#).

Finally, myself and all the team are here to help at any point this year. We look forward to supporting your children over the course of the year and are committed to the very highest educational standards in our school.

Very best wishes,



Robin Hayes  
**Headteacher**

