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Dear Parent/Carer

It was lovely to see some of you last week in school and of course to see all of the children. I am pleased to tell you I will be returning to school after the half term holidays and look forward to working with you all for the rest of the summer.

Good News

I am pleased to let you know Mrs Trehwitt and her family welcomed their new baby boy, they are all doing very well.

Staffing Update

Unfortunately Mrs Downing will be away from school for the rest of the summer term and Mr Mullen will be the named Class Teacher for Class 6.

Mr L Binks will continue to be in Class 14 and Mr M Binks will continue to be in Class 9. Trainee teachers will also be working across the school for the rest of the summer term as usual due to our links with Durham University as a Training Centre.

Changes to the School Day

From September 2024 the Department of Education has designated that we are open for all children for 32.5 hours each week. Currently we are short by 30 minutes at Church Street & 15 minutes at Moor Lane per day (this does not include our breakfast or after school clubs).

The decision for the times have been made in consultation with staff and governors.

Please see below for new timings of the school day from September 2024:

Site	Gates open	Start of lessons	End of day	After School Clubs
Church Street	8.40 am	8.50	3.20	3.20-4.05 pm
Moor Lane	8.30 am	8.40	3.10	3.10-4.05 pm

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Timings for Class based 'After School Clubs' have also changed as detailed above – these will last for 45 minutes at Church Street & 55 minutes at Moor Lane and both finish at 4.05pm. This time is not included in the 32.5 hours as all children do not attend. We have also left a 10-minute gap for parents/carers to get from one site to the other for normal pick-up time.

Tea Time Club will finish at 5.15pm on both sites from September. It will remain at both sites Tues and Wed and Church Street only Monday, Thursday and Friday.

Please see below for details of Breakfast Club and Teatime Club timings and charges:

Breakfast Club - Infant & Junior School Sites:

From 7.30am – 8.30am at a cost of £2.00 per session

Teatime Club - Infant & Junior Site

From 3.10pm – 4.00pm at a cost of £2.00 per session (Juniors)

From 3.20pm – 4.00pm at a cost of £2.00 per session (Infants)

From 4pm – 5pm at an additional cost of £3

From 5pm – 5.15pm is an additional £2.50

Therefore, the total cost for attending Teatime Club from 3.10pm – 5.15pm is £7.50

Unfortunately, if your child is not picked up by the booked time, this will incur the additional charges of the next session.

If you are later than 5.15pm to collect your child, an additional £2.50 will be charged to your ParentPay account.

Health & Safety

Please can you ensure your child's earrings are covered with plasters if they are unable to remove the earrings themselves

Children are not wearing appropriate footwear for school, they should be wearing either school shoes or trainers – Crocs are not suitable for day to day activities within school. We have had several accidents as a result of children wearing inappropriate footwear.

Can you ensure you park safely when dropping off and collecting children, avoiding blocking residents driveways, we have had several concerns raised by residents over the past week.

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Absences & Medical Appointments

Just a reminder if your child has sickness and diarrhoea they must be 48hrs clear of any sickness and diarrhoea to return to school. We have had some instances in the last week where children have been sick and sent to school the day after. This can spread the infection to more children. If your child has a medical appointment please can you let school know at the earliest convenience, whether this is by telephone, Arbor App or face to face conversation, you must show confirmation whether this be a letter or a text you have received as this will result in an unauthorised mark for that session if we have not seen the confirmation.

Regards

Marie-Louise Binks

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