



Wednesday 27th April 2022

Newsletter Number 1 – Summer Term 2022

Dear families,

The summer term is here and the days are lighter and brighter! Hopefully you all had a good Easter break and are looking forward to all this term has to offer.

Summer uniform and essentials

It is lovely to see the summer uniform being worn! This comprises of dresses, skirts and tops and is in **red** or **yellow** only and can be striped or checked. Of course the children can choose to stay in their winter uniform if they wish.

Please send into school some sun cream for your child (labelled) and teach them to apply to their face, neck, arms and legs. Staff will help and encourage them in school but cannot apply it for them. A labelled sun hat/cap will also be needed. If your child suffers from hay fever we can administer medication and eye drops to help relieve the symptoms. Please email into the school office detailing any hayfever medication that you will be sending in with your child and when they will need it.

Family Toolbox

Just before the end of term I let you know about Family Toolbox. You will notice this springing up all over Wirral as there is a significant campaign to raise awareness.

Familytoolbox.co.uk is a free online hub to help Wirral families be the strongest they can be. It has information about everyday family life to share, to help boost your confidence and skills and develop that vital bounce-back ability, so that you can weather life's storms.

It has lots of things for family life in Wirral on one website:

- Find loads of tried and tested tips on parenting, looking after yourself and life as a family.
- Introduce yourself to people and places who can give you a bit of support.
- Find out what's on in Wirral for you and your family.
- Take space to reflect on what's going on at home and what you'd like to change.
- Save your family's favourite ideas, resources and places to your own Toolbox.

The site has been designed in partnership with families across Wirral, and we hope that you find it really useful.

For more information and to get involved, visit www.familytoolbox.co.uk

Parent Mail / Arbor

Thank you for your patience as we migrate from Parent Mail to Arbor. It is never easy or straightforward to move systems but we know once this is done it will benefit everyone so much. The school office will keep emailing you directly with updates as to how this is going.

Easter holiday provision

I must thank Mrs Gilleece for organising and running our netball skills day and Mrs Wright for supporting her. It was a lovely day and sped by so quickly. Several tweets were made showing the events of the day through the school Twitter @PensbySchool. We are so lucky that we have staff like these who wish to put on these events for the children.

Thanks also go to MSE who ran their camp days from here. They apply for funding to allow this to be run and have done so for over a year now. Being able to offer free places to many families and knowing that all the children are in a familiar setting for holiday care is such a reassurance for your families. We can't guarantee this will continue within each school break but we certainly hope it does!

PTA

The next PTA meeting takes place here in school on Wednesday 18th May at 6.00pm. I wrote in the last newsletter;

*I must offer my thanks to the PTA – we sometimes forget that PTA means **Parent & Teacher** and this working partnership is crucial. In many schools I have worked in this partnership is not there and events are either poorly organised, poorly supported or don't happen at all and it is the children who then miss out. In Pensby our **Parent & Teacher** partnership is not only strong – it is enthusiastic and determined. This means the children benefit and have fun and gain happy memories. Thank you to our amazing **Parent & Teacher Association!***

In order to run our summer term events we really need your support – please come along to the meeting and join us!

This term the PTA will be doing their ice lolly sales – the cost is 50p and we will let you know when you can pay and through which account. The dates are;

Friday 10th June - Friday 17th June - Friday 24th June - Friday 1st July - Friday 8th July - Friday 15th July

Full of Beans!

This week staff from Full of Beans joined us in school. They are delivering active playgrounds sessions every day at lunchtime and these are very varied from Cheer leading, athletics and team games. There are also some curriculum lessons for classes taking place.

On a Tuesday, starting next week, they will be offering a free 30 minute activity session before school. So that most children can benefit this will be offered to each class for 5 weeks. Next week year 5 children can attend. A separate email will be sent to year 5 families with instructions about how to book a place. When we change classes a separate email will go out to that class with the dates on offer.

Dates for the term

DATE	TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
Monday 2 nd May	All day	Early May Bank Holiday	School closed
Thursday 5 th May	All day	Polling day	School is open today
Wednesday 18 th May	6.00pm	PTA meeting	In school
Friday 27 th May	3.30pm	Last day of the half term – school closes at 3.30pm	
Monday 30 th May to Friday 3 rd June	Half term break		
Monday 6 th June	All day	School closed Jubilee day	
Tuesday 7 th June	8.40am	School reopens	
Friday 10 th June	3.15pm	Ice lolly sale	
Friday 17 th June	3.15pm	Ice lolly sale	
Friday 24 th June	3.15pm	Ice lolly sale	
Friday 1 st July	3.15pm	Ice lolly sale	
Monday 4 th July	All day	Kings Camp in school	All classes to have active sessions
Friday 8 th July	3.15pm	Ice lolly sale	
Saturday 9 th July	TBC	PTA summer event	TBC
Friday 15 th July	3.15pm	Ice lolly sale	
Wednesday 20 th July	3.30pm	Last day of the term – school closes at 3.30pm	
Thursday 21 st July	All day	INSET day	School closed
Friday 22 nd July to Wednesday 31 st August	School closed for summer break		
Thursday 1 st September	8.40am	School reopens for autumn term for all pupils	

School dates for Academic year 2022 to 2023

The school dates for 2022 to 2023 are now on the school website. The INSET days are provisional at this stage.

And finally,

At the end of this week we say a very sad goodbye to Miss Goddard. She will be leaving us after many years to take up a new post in the NHS. Many of you will know Miss Goddard and will want to wish her well and thank her for her many years of service to the families of the school. Good luck Miss Goddard!



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