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10<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Good afternoon,

We have had a very busy first full week in school and the pupils have been giving 110% in all their lessons. For the first time in several terms, we have been able to start teaching the full curriculum in school and many pupils have been able to take part in PE, music and PSHE lessons. We have several events planned for this term so please read this newsletter to find out when you can visit the school to see the excellent work the pupils are beginning to produce.

### **PARENT MEET AND GREET**

One of our focuses this year is to continue developing communication between school, parents and the local community. Next week we are inviting parents to meet and greet their child's class teacher. These meetings will take place from 9-10am during the week.

Monday- Year 5 and 6

Tuesday- Year 3 and 4

Wednesday - Year 1 and 2

At the meeting you will have the chance to meet your child's teacher, find out what is expected in your child's year group and some of the systems and procedures we have in school to improve learning across the school. Please try and attend so that you can find out what your child is learning this year.

### **JIGSAW PSHE SCHEME OF WORK**

This week the pupils have begun to learn from our new PSHE (Personal, Social and Health Education) scheme of work called Jigsaw. This curriculum will teach pupils how to look after themselves both physically and mentally as well as how to create positive relationships with other people. A big focus in the lessons is for pupils to understand how to remain calm and have strategies to keep calm in stressful situations. This will really benefit the pupils in the coming months.

### **SCHOOL CHAPLAINCY**

We are really pleased to announce that a new school chaplain will be joining us this term. She will be leading a 'Faith Group' which will run one lunch time per week (for selected children in KS2 this term and selected children in KS1 next term). She will be coming into school to help and support children with their emotional wellbeing. She will also be supporting children and



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staff with their individual journeys of faith and work alongside school to provide support for families.

### **NURSERY PLACES**

We still have a number of Nursery places available for this school year. We also have some 30-hour places available and paid full-time places available. For more information about our nursery, or to arrange a visit to look around, please contact Mrs Fairclough at

[reception@canonjohnson.co.uk](mailto:reception@canonjohnson.co.uk)

### **SCHOOL UNIFORM AND PE KIT**

I have been really pleased to see every child in full school uniform so far this week and thank you for sending your children in with the correct uniform. We will also be checking PE kits over the next two weeks when PE lessons start. The school's PE kit is:

- Black pumps
- Conventional trainers for outdoor activities (no hi-tops)
- Navy/black shorts
- White t shirt

To help children to prepare for PE lessons quicker we are asking pupils to wear their PE kits into schools when it is their PE day.

### **UP TO DATE CONTACT DETAILS**

During the summer term the office and I tried to contact several families either by phone, text or email and were not able to get in touch. Please could you come into the office with any new contact details so that we can change these on our registration system. We will be sending out the details we do have for you to check in the next week.

### **TOAST AND MILK MONIES**

All payments are now made using our online system. If you would like your child to have snack, attend breakfast club or have a school dinner (Year 3 upwards) please can you set up your details on the Arbor Parent Portal or contact the office and they will help you set up payments. Please try and make these weekly payments as it helps the office to monitor payments on the system.



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### **CANON JOHNSON CofE Primary School SCHOOL DINNERS**

If your child has school dinners, please could you log onto the School Grid and order your child's dinners each week. If you do not have a login, please speak to the office and they will help you set one up.

### **SWIMMING AND PE**

Swimming for Year 4 will start this Monday and all pupils must take part as it is an important part of the national curriculum. Mr Keaney, Mrs Crolla and Mrs Culpepper will be taking the pupils each week from 1.40-2.20pm.

PE for each year group is:

Monday- Year 5

Tuesday- Year 2 and Year 3

Wednesday- Early Years and Year 6

Thursday- Year 1 and Year 4

Friday- Year 1 and Year 2

### **ATTENDANCE**

The government have asked all schools to return to their usual attendance procedures and look to improve attendance over the next 12 months after the lockdowns. If your child is going to be absent from school, please either email me or ring the school to explain the absence and please notify us if you are going to be late in picking up your children by ringing the office on 0161 330 3169.

For families that drop below 90% or are persistently late (after 9am), Mr Keaney will be organising meetings to support you in improving your child's attendance. Unfortunately, schools have been asked to apply for fines through the local authority if attendance does not improve.

### **COVID RESTRICTIONS**

Although COVID restrictions have eased, we are still asking people to be respectful of keeping as much distance from other families as you can. If a child tests positive they will be expected to isolate and then Test and Trace will identify and notify any other close contacts. This should mean that schools will no longer need to isolate whole classes unless there is a surge within a class. Current guidance states that if a class has more than 10% of positive cases the pupils all may have to isolate to stop the spread of the virus.



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### **HOW CAN WE SUPPORT OUR PUPILS IN READING AND WRITING**

#### Reading

Reading is incredibly important and your support in this learning process is vital.

#### 10 Benefits of Reading

1. Children who read often and widely get better at it – after all, practise makes perfect.
2. Reading exercises our brain – Reading is a much more complex task for the human brain than for example, watching TV. Reading strengthens brain connections and builds new connections.
3. Reading improves concentration.
4. Reading teaches children about the world around them.
5. Reading improves vocabulary and language.
6. Reading develops a child's imagination.
7. Reading helps children to develop empathy – as children develop they begin to consider how they would feel if placed in certain situations.
8. Reading is fun – dreaming with your eyes open!
9. Reading is a great way to spend time together.
10. Reading promotes achievement in all subjects.

We issue every child with a banded reading book which they should read at home and bring back to school each day. Children also have access to the Key Stage libraries - they can select a book of their choice. Every child has a reading journal which should be signed to show they have read at home. We check this each morning and reward children regularly for reaching reading milestones.

**Key Stage One:** Please access the RWInc Virtual Classroom links being sent home to support your child with their reading. If you would like further information on RWInc, please follow these links:

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/1OjBhuZi/oWsxuuis>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/KmMUIPf4/jw6kJjss>



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### HOW CAN WE SUPPORT OUR PUPILS IN MATHS



At Canon Johnson we use the White Rose Scheme of Learning.

Please follow the link below which is a useful site for parents and carers. It helps you to understand what and how maths is taught in school and contains links to advice and guidance.

<https://whiterosemaths.com/for-parents/>

In the table below are the National Curriculum times tables expectations for each year group. The children will be tested on their times tables regularly in school.

Expectations for times tables for each year group:	
Year 1	Count in multiples of 2, 5 and 10. Recall and use all doubles to 10 and corresponding halves.
Year 2	Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables, including recognising odd and even numbers.
Year 3	Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 3, 4 and 8 multiplication tables.
Year 4	Recall and use multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to 12x12.
Year 5	Revision of all times tables and division facts up to 12x12.
Year 6	Revision of all times tables and division facts up to 12x12.

Have a great weekend.

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### **STAR OF THE WEEK**

**NURSERY- Martha**

**RECEPTION- Whole Class**

**YEAR 1- Aadhi**

**YEAR 2- Alik**

**YEAR 3- Malaikah**

**YEAR 4- Kyle**

**YEAR 5- Shahmeer**

**YEAR 6- Zac**

**HEADTEACHER AWARD- Year 6 for an excellent start to an important year.**



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