



Newsletter 4th September 2009

Welcome back to school!

We trust that you had a relaxing and enjoyable summer. We are pleased to welcome all the children back to school and look forward to getting to know the new children who will be joining us this term. In addition we are pleased to welcome Mrs Wykes to Allesley Hall Primary School, who will be teaching Year 5 on Monday and Tuesdays.

Extra Curricular Clubs

Please read the attached letter outlining the clubs that will be running during this half term and return the reply slip with a deposit to school as soon as possible. Most clubs will be commencing next week.

Water bottles

Once again we will be providing each child with a water bottle for use during the school day, however this year water bottles will be sent home to be cleaned. If a water bottle is damaged or gets lost then replacements can be purchased for £1 from the school office. We are trying to encourage children to drink water throughout the school day and hope you will support us with this message by ensuring the children have their water bottles in school each day.

School uniform

The children look very smart in their uniforms today - thank you. If you haven't already done so, please find time to label all items of uniform.

Please remember that children should be wearing black school shoes which allow them to play actively on the playground.

P.E lessons will start again next week so please ensure that P.E kits are sent into school on Monday.

Book Bags

As you may remember, the PTA supplied a book/ homework bag for all children last year. All new children to our school will receive a book bag when they join us, but we would like to encourage parents to purchase replacement bags from the school uniform shop, Mrs T's, when necessary. Please remind your son/ daughter they don't need to bring another bag to school - all of their homework and reading books can be transported in their book bags which can then be stored in their drawers. The cloakroom areas can become crowded when other school bags and rucksacks are stored on pegs.

Thank you

Music Lessons

Music Tuition with staff from the PAS will commence week beginning 14th September, more information on days and times will follow.

Children who have requested to learn an instrument will be informed next week if they have been successful.

Dinner Money

The cost of a school meal has increased to £1.75 per day (£8.75 per week) payable on Monday in advance (cheques made payable to Coventry City Council). Due to budget pressures, we have been informed by Client Catering that debts can no longer be allowed. If payment has not been made by Friday then you will be requested to send your child with a packed lunch or full payment on the following Monday. Unfortunately, any debts for dinner money will be referred to the City Council's debt recovery section.

PTA meeting

The first PTA meeting of the new school year will be held at 7.30pm on Thursday 17th September at the Elms pub. We would like to encourage parents to come along to this meeting and get involved with our PTA, which is currently a small group of parents. The PTA plays a crucial role in our school both in providing events for children and families to enjoy, but also in raising additional funds to enhance the experiences of the children. The PTA are currently fund raising to provide a projector for the school hall which will allow access to computer programmes and the internet during assemblies, teaching activities, concerts etc.

If you are available to offer occasional help or can attend the meetings on a regular basis, then please come along on Thursday 17th at 7.30pm. The meeting will be informal and we will be discussing possible funding raising events for this term e.g. a Christmas fayre.

Dates for the term will be included in next weeks newsletter so don't forget to look out for them!

One Body, One Life

Thank you to the families that have signed up for this term's healthy lifestyle course which will be run by activity leaders from Coventry City Council on Monday after school. If you are interested then please complete the reply slip below and return it to school by Wednesday 9th September - all places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. More information about the group will follow shortly.

Child's Name Parents Name.....
Address
Telephone

