

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you have all had a wonderful break and we look forward to welcoming all children back to school on Monday 7 June.

The school focus for the final summer term will be to accelerate progress for all children, in order that we catch up on lost learning time within the classroom from lockdown. As I am sure you are aware, Airedale Infant School prides itself on having high standards and expectations of both staff and children, and as a team we aim to deliver only the very best lessons daily whilst offering a broad, balanced curriculum for all.

In order to achieve this we need parents' help to ensure children are at school on time, ready to learn and that weekly homework and reads are completed. Together we can have greater impact!

Start and finish times:

| Year group | Start time | Finish time | Entrance door |
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| Nursery | AM session 8:45am PM session 12:15pm | AM session 11:45am PM session 3:15pm | Nursery |
| Reception | 8:50am | 2:50pm | Pixies – Reception entrance Sprites – Year 1 entrance |
| Year 1 | 9:10am | 3:10pm | Pixies – Year 1 entrance Sprites – Reception entrance |
| Year 2 | 9am | 3pm | Pixies – Year 2 shared area Sprites – Year 1 entrance |

Attendance:

Daily attendance is key to impacting on pupil progress and we expect all children to attend school unless ill. This is now mandatory and attendance will be monitored daily and parents fined if necessary. Children have lost enough learning and social time with friends, please play your part.

Uniform:

Please can I remind everyone that our uniform expectations have not changed; Children need to be wearing the correct uniform, have their long hair tied up fully, wear black shoes and should be wearing only a watch and stud earrings (if their ears are pierced) for safety.

Catch-up Interventions:

School have invested a lot of money in Covid catch up classes which are running across all year groups before and after school. Please remember that attendance to these sessions is really important. If class teachers have invited your child to attend, the extra session will have a huge impact on your child's learning and is vital to narrowing any gaps caused by the pandemic.

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Homework:

Please ensure that your child completes their weekly reads and homework tasks set on Seesaw. This will consolidate the learning taught in school. Any problems, please see your child's class teacher for support.

Dinners:

Hot school dinners continue to be cooked on-site daily using the best produce. If you wish for your child to have a hot dinner please contact the office and if you think you are eligible for free school meals please complete the online form on Wakefield.gov website. This is the fastest way for the free school meals team to check your eligibility. If you are unable to complete this, please contact the school office for a form.

Summer Closure:

School will close on Thursday 22 July for the summer holidays and we start our new academic year on Tuesday 7 September 2021.

Thank you again to all parents for their unfailing support and hope that you know that if needed school will support you or your child in anyway possible – we are always here to help!
I hope you continue to work with school and know we are totally dedicated to every child to ensure that they achieve their full potential.

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