



NEWS LETTER



Greek

1st Half Autumn Term Dates for your diary (check our APP for more dates):-

We will provide you with as many dates as possible on a half termly basis, however, please remember that these are all subject to change. Changes and additions will be communicated accordingly via our Key Stage updates, newsletters, Tweets or texts throughout the year.

SEPTEMBER

- 7th 5:30p.m. France Trip—Parents Meeting
- 8th 4:00pm Robinwood Trip—Parents Meeting
- 12th Y3A & Y6B First Half-termly-weekly Rugby Coaching from the Cramlington Rockets
- 19th 4:00pm Parents OPAL Meeting—see separate letter of invitation
- 24th-30th Y5 & Y6 France Trip
- 29th—1st October Robinwood Outward Bound Trip for Y3 & Y4

OCTOBER

- 2nd Reverend Mooney Assembly
- 3rd 9am-10am McMillian Fundraising Coffee Morning
- 6th Y2 DukesWood Outward Bound Trip
- 9th 9:15am—10am EYFS & KS1 Harvest Festival Assembly
10:45am-11:30am KS2 Harvest Festival Assembly (letter to follow)
- 13th Y6A (Mrs Rigg) Class Assembly @ 14:30 until 15:15, invitations to

WELCOME BACK

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome everybody back to school—both old and new. We have had a fabulous first week back and the children have very quickly got back into school life, enjoying all of the new challenges set within their new year groups/classes. We welcome both of our new staff members—Teacher; Miss O'Kane—Reception Class B (RB) and our new Higher Level Teaching Assistant; Mrs Corbridge who will be working across both of our Reception Classes.

PLEASE NOTE SCHOOL STARTS AT 8:55—therefore, could you please ensure that all children are present in the yard for a prompt start.

There have been a variety of letters sent out last week of which we require a reply, to ensure that our systems are continuously kept up to date. Therefore, could you please return the following ASAP:-

- Walking home slip (Year 4 to Year 6)
- Child Information Sheet (Whole School)
- Home School Agreement (Whole School)

If you are missing any of these letters please call into the office to pick up some more.

School Uniform

Please remember to label **ALL** items of clothing/footwear/bags with your child's name. P.E kit is a white t-shirt and navy blue shorts, Jewellery should not be worn for school although a watch is acceptable. If you feel that it is necessary that your child wears a small stud, then an earring disclaimer (as attached) must be signed and returned to the office.

EARRINGS CANNOT BE WORN FOR PE and these should be removed prior to coming to

ATTENDANCE—We are extremely proud of our performance and we MUST keep above our

Set Target! Our School Attendance Target for this School Year is 96%

It is **VITAL** that children attend school every day. May I remind you that the school **DOES NOT** authorise holidays during term time. The government continues to implement fines for parents who take children out of school for holidays. For any questions or queries regarding attendance please contact Mrs Reed our Learning Mentor who will be very happy to help.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS—see attached timetable for you to keep at home

We are delighted to announce that we now have a variety of **24 different clubs** on offer for your children to attend. Broken down there are **20 different after school clubs** (of which you will need to sign your child onto via our club permission letters) and **4 different lunchtime clubs** (of which no permission is necessary as this is during school hours). We are thrilled to continue to offer such a vast amount of opportunities for our children.

HELP

We would love to see you in school, helping out with the children in the classrooms. If you feel you can support us for any amount of time during the week, for example hearing readers or

CODE OF CONDUCT

Golden rules for the Classroom

- Make good use of your time.
- Listen to the teacher or other adult and answer politely.
- Listen to each other and don't shout out.
- Work without disturbing others.
- Move about the classroom calmly and sensibly.
- Respect your classmates and their property.
- Keep your classroom tidy.

Golden rules for the School

- Walk in the corridors.
- Show consideration and hold doors open for people behind you.
- Keep your cloakroom tidy.
- Take care of our lovely school.
- Leave your toilets clean and tidy.

Golden rules for Assembly

- Come into and leave assembly quietly and calmly.
- Sit quietly and think about what is being said.
- Show respect and consideration for others.

Golden rules for the Yard

- Play in a safe open place.
- Play without spoiling other people's games.
- Play without upsetting or hurting others.
- Be polite and obedient to the adults on the yard.
- Tell an adult if you see something wrong.

Golden rules for the Dinner Hall

- Walk in the dinner hall at all times.
- Sit with a friend and talk quietly.

OPAL SCHOOL

Help us within our journey of creating happier playtimes, better playspaces and further enable our staff to support Outdoor Learning. We have chosen to become an OPAL School because research shows that play contributes to children's physical and emotional health, well-being, approach to learning and

RISK & PLAY

**When you take a risk,
your brain changes.**

Do you remember climbing to the top of a tree? Or swinging as fast as you could until you felt like you might fall off? These risks are more than fun – they help brains develop. **Risky play combines fun and stress – turbo-charging brain development.**

It can be stressful to climb to the top of the tower if you haven't done it before but learning to handle that stress will make you more resilient under future pressures.

Risky play also develops your executive function, the parts of your brain in charge of decision-making. Deciding whether or not to jump off something tests the limits of your judgement. The only way to learn to make good decisions is by practicing making decisions.

Bumps and scrapes are the vivid feedback you need to improve your judgement. Thankfully, you'll get better and your brain will have developed from the experience.

BUILD Your brain.