

Timekeeping: An increasing number of children are arriving late each day. This is tracked and recorded as a 'late' mark in the register. The school day starts at 8:50 with meaningful 'morning challenges' that the children have to engage with as soon as they enter the classroom. Lessons start promptly at 9:00. Children who arrive after 9am miss valuable learning time, and their arrival disturbs the teaching and learning of others. Please allow enough time to get here every day.....even if it means leaving home 10 minutes earlier.

Individual and Family Photographs: These will be taken on Monday 29th March. A letter has been sent out with specified times for the family shots, to ensure social distancing guidelines can be followed.

Uniform: Details of a new uniform supplier has been sent out; www.myclothing.com. The PTA receive 5% of all sales. Ziggy's is open for business too, using a click-and-collect service.

Lost property: With the return to school, comes the familiar pile of un-named jumpers and cardigans. Please can **all** items of clothing be named clearly with an official label or with a Sharpie pen.

Wraparound bookings: You can now book both breakfast and afterschool wraparound place on the School Gateway. Pre-payment is needed before any booking can be made.

PTA Events: Many thanks for the enthusiastic support of our PTA Ester Egg raffle! We have many prizes so there will be many winners. Looking ahead – we have a Bag2School event coming up. Please keep to one side any old, worn out, too small clothes plus bedding and old towels. These can be brought to school on the given date and all the bags are weighed. The more they weigh, the more they pay! And please put Saturday 10th July in your diary – we are really excited to plan our SUMMER FAIR!

Term dates: The dates for next academic year have now been agreed by the Governing Body and have been emailed out to everyone.

Finish for the Easter holiday at the end of the day on Thursday 1st April

Return to school at 8:45 on Tuesday 20th April **YEAR 4 START SWIMMING THIS WEEK**

No school on Monday 3rd May, Bank Holiday

Finish for Whit half term at the end of the day on Friday 28th May

Return to school at 8:45 on Tuesday 8th June

Finish for the summer holidays at the end of the day on Tuesday 20th July

Pupils return for the new Academic Year on Wednesday 8th September 2021

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