

NEWSLETTER

Welcome Back To School!

It has been a delight to see our pupils settle back into the new academic year. They all look super smart and it has been lovely to see them focusing straight back into their learning.

We have also been delighted with how well our Nursery and Reception pupils have settled and it is wonderful to see them forming new friendships.

Seeing how much they learn over one day shows how important it is for parents/carers to ensure pupils attend every day. If pupils regularly miss days at school they soon develop gaps in their learning and quickly fall behind their peers.

This term, we are continuing to build on the success of our summer term Ofsted where we were recognised for 'working tirelessly to raise expectations across the curriculum'. Across the school, we have introduced 'Talk for Writing' in our Literacy lessons. Ask your children to retell their text maps and you will be amazed with what they have learned!

Important dates

Friday 20th September

Superhero day

Sunday 22nd September

Year 6 Residential

Wednesday 9th October

Individual school photos

Thursday 10th October

Hello Yellow day

Friday 11th October

Harvest

Tuesday 15th October 4-7pm

Parent/carers' consultations

Wednesday 16th October 1-4pm

1pm Early Closure

Parent/Carers' consultations

Friday 25th October

INSET day



Farewell to Miss Ryder



Last week, we said a fond farewell to Miss Lucy Ryder.

As you will know, Miss Ryder decided to take early retirement due to the challenges she was facing with her MS diagnosis. Last Thursday, as a staff, we were able to give Miss Ryder a lovely send off. This was an opportunity for us to reflect on the 23 years she dedicated to GG as Deputy Headteacher and then as Co-headteacher.

I am sure you will join me in thanking her for the impact she has had over so many years and we wish her well in her retirement.

Meet our new teaching and admin staff!

We are delighted to have welcomed a number of new teachers and administration staff to our school. They have been enjoying getting to know the school and our wonderful pupils.



Mrs Vymetal
Strategic SEND Lead



Mrs Ford
Year 6 teacher



Mrs Marshall
Reception Teacher



Mrs Lorente
HR Assistant



Mrs Smith
Admin Assistant

School uniform

Please refer to our school website for details about our school uniform.

Please note that pupils from Year 1 upwards should be wearing **black school shoes** (apart from their PE day) and **hairbands and clips** should be plain.

PARKING

We have noticed a number of parents/carers putting our pupils at risk by parking dangerously outside the school.

It is important to remind you all that parking on both double yellow lines and the zig zag lines is illegal and puts our pupils at risk.

Please also note that the school car park is for staff and taxis for our Lighthouse pupils. Pupils and parents should not park or walk through the car park.

Report an absence on the studybugs app