



Welcome

Week Beginning 7th September 2026

A very warm welcome back to everyone as we begin a new academic year! Last year brought its fair share of excitement and change, including three maternity leaves, one paternity leave, 3 headteachers, an OFSTED inspection and a move to mixed year groups. Yet, through it all, the incredible support, trust and encouragement of our whole school community meant that we didn't just navigate these — we thrived. Thank you for the part you played in making that possible.

As we look ahead with excitement to the year to come, our school Mission of **Loving First** will continue to underpin all that we do. Together, we will continue to build a school where everyone is encouraged to love, live and learn, and where every child is given the opportunity and confidence to let their light shine. We can't wait to see what this new year brings!

PE Kit and PE Days

Tuesday - Carle/ Donaldson/ Jeffers/
Zephaniah

Wednesday - Donaldson/ Blackman/
Kinny/ Cowell

Thursday - Carle/ Kinny/ Jeffers

School PE Kit is as followed:

Plain black tracksuit -No logos/ No stripes etc

Bottle green shorts (no cycling shorts)

white t-shirt

Please do ensure your child has the correct PE kit for school to ensure they can access PE lessons safely

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

A reminder to parents to check your entitlement to Free School Meals.

All families in receipt of Universal Credit are eligible for free school meals, please contact the school office if you have not yet applied and we can do the check for you.

Free School Meals can help families save money and ensure children have access to a healthy, nutritious meal during the school day.

Classes & Staffing Team

This year to support the transition to mixed year group classes, we have moved to class names (instead of numbers). Pupils were given the opportunity to choose the class names and overwhelmingly voted for authors - which wonderfully reflects our reading culture in school.

Please find below a list of classes and staff for this coming term:

Carle (N/R) - Ms Archer / Miss Hudson

Donaldson (R/I) - Ms Meier/ Mrs Trueman

Jeffers (I/2) - Miss Elton/ Ms Savage/ Miss Pritchett/ Miss Buchanan

Cowell(3) - Mrs Jones/ Mrs Gallagher/ Mrs Foote

Kinny (4) - Miss Shoochroon/ Ms Mitchell/ Mrs Luong

Blackman (5) - Miss Somersall-Heath/ Mrs Paling

Zephaniah (6) - Miss Sutton/ Miss Wall

Upcoming Events

Tuesday 8th September

Zephaniah class visit the Safety Zone @Holme Pierrepont

Thursday 10th September

Zephaniah class - Partake Theatre

Sunday 13th September

Education Sunday - Pupils leading in Mass

Tuesday 15th September

Meet the teacher session

Friday 18th September

House Assembly (all welcome)

Monday 21st September

First Mass of the School Year - Blackman class to lead

Thursday 1st October

Carle/ Donaldson Class Stay and Play (Focus: Early Years Maths)

A list of key dates for the Advent term is also attached to this letter.

We endeavour to keep to the dates listed however, on occasions we do have to change dates. Where possible we will give you as much notice as possible. We thank you for your understanding with this.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Regular attendance is essential in helping every child to thrive, both academically and socially. This year, we ask for your continued support in ensuring that your child is in school every day and on time, with our expectation that all pupils achieve at least 96% attendance. Every day really does matter — even small amounts of absence can quickly add up to lost learning and missed experiences with friends and classmates.

A reminder that school doors close at 8.50am, if you arrive after this time your child will be marked as late. Ensuring children arrive on time to school every day supports positive routines as they grow. It also ensures that children are able to maximise every moment of their learning. Thank you for your ongoing support with this.

Meet the Teacher

On Tuesday 15th September, we will be holding a Meet the Teacher session from 3:30–5:00pm.

We will begin by meeting in the hall, where all teachers will introduce themselves and share a little bit about themselves.

Teachers will then move to their classrooms, where you will have the opportunity to visit, meet them and ask any general questions you may have.

Please note that this is not a Parents' Evening, so teachers will not be able to discuss individual pupils during this session. If you would like to discuss your child specifically, please arrange an appointment with their class teacher through the school office.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Contact Details

Please ensure contact details are up to date on ARBOR.

Please also let the school office know if you wish to make any changes to the end of day dismissal forms. A reminder we are unable to dismiss to adults (under 16) who are not on end of day dismissal forms.

You can contact school through our admin email, phone, or coming to the main office .



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