

Dear Parents/Carers

We have had another lovely week in school which saw all our new reception children join us on Monday. The children have settled really well and are very excited to be in school. Yesterday all of the reception children had their first forest school session with Mrs Finch and PE lesson with Mr Churchward, it was a busy day!

Year 1 had a 'Seaside Day' on Monday where they came into school dressed for the beach and completed lots of fun activities. They enjoyed having their feet in sand, 'sunbathing' (in the classroom) and tasting candyfloss, ice-cream and chips!



Both Year 1 and Year 2 have celebrated the Queen's life in year group assemblies. We talked about the Platinum celebrations they all participated in during school last academic year and that we now we have a king. Our Platinum Jubilee hall boards are a great reminder of those celebrations.

We had a delivery of books from Scholastics this week. We ordered books for each year group out of the proceeds from the book fair in May. Thank you to everyone who bought books it really helps us to keep updating our supply of books.

All year groups have uploaded a 'Welcome to the year' power point on the website under their year group page. Please read it as it has lots of important information about the year group. Any concerns or worries please speak to the class teacher.

Kind Regards



Tina Lagdon – Head Teacher

Year Reception Drop Off

We are really proud of how well the children have been coming into school in the mornings, so a big well done to you all. To encourage independence, we would be very grateful if you could leave your child with their teacher at the door and let them enter school on their own.

Packed lunches

If your child is bringing a packed lunch containing **grapes**, please can we kindly remind you to send these in already cut in half. Thank you.

Milk

Please can we remind you that once your child reaches the age of 5, milk will no longer be free and you will need to register an account with Cool Milk <https://www.coolmilk.com/>. Please note that an account needs to be registered a week before your child's 5th birthday. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to the School Office.

Cool Milk has notified us that the dairy provider is unable to deliver milk on Tuesday 20th September. Your child therefore will not be able to have milk on this day. Cool Milk sincerely apologise and confirm that deliveries will be back to normal on Wednesday 21st.

Extended Services

Invoices for this term have been uploaded onto the sQuid online payment system. Please can we kindly ask that these be settled as soon as possible, if you have not done so already. We would just like to remind you that pick-up times for after school club are 4.30 pm (short) and 5.45 pm (long).

Individual School Photographs

The photographer will be coming into school on Tuesday 27th September to take individual photographs of the children. They will also take sibling groups within school.

Read/Write Inc

The school follows the RWI phonics scheme and the children have a phonics session every day. The sounds that the children are taught in school are sent home on paper at the end of each week. This academic year school have bought RWI sound books which will mean your child will have all the sounds in a book. The books will be sent home on a Friday with the sounds dated that your child has been taught for you to practise.

We would respectfully ask that you do not teach your child any sounds that are not dated. All books will be collected in on a Thursday so please make sure that your child's sound book is in their reading folder. Due to rising costs any sound books that are lost will have to be paid for by parents.

Sharing Time in school

Once a term parents are invited into school to share their child's work. The date for this term is **Wednesday 28th September at 2.40pm**. We appreciate that our new reception children will not have any work to share at this early stage however, we would still like to invite you in for a stay and play session with your child. We really hope that you are able to make this as you will be able to look around your child's classroom and then participate in activities with your child.

Volunteer Helpers

We welcome any parents/helpers that would like to come into school to help, this could be hearing the children read or helping with other activities. If you have any free time and would like to volunteer please speak to Mrs Dawson in the school office.

Open Morning 2022

In partnership with BJS our Open Morning for prospective reception children starting in September 2023 is Wednesday 12th October from 9.30am until 10.30am.

Brackley Junior School will be open from 10.30am until 11.30am so this gives you the opportunity to view both schools.

Harvest Assemblies

All year groups will be participating in a year group harvest assembly and we would like to invite parents to watch.

Monday 17th October at 2.30pm will be for Year 2 parents

Tuesday 18th October at 2.30pm will be for Year R parents

Wednesday 19th October at 2.30pm will be for Year 1 parents

We will be asking for donations for the Brackley Foodbank and we will share a list of suitable items with you closer to the date.

BJS & WIS Half Term Holiday Club

Following the success of a very busy Summer Holiday Club and questions from parents, we are looking to offer this provision during the October Half Term. If you are interested in using this provision, please email office@brackleyjunior.northants.sch.uk. Further details on previous Holiday Clubs and pricing these can be found on the website <https://www.brackleycofejunior.school.co.uk/holiday-club>

My School Fund

WIS is part of the My School Fund initiative. This innovative scheme allows for us to be able to boost our school's budget with your help. Parents, guardians and carers can sign up to the scheme for free and start earning cashback on the things they buy in participating retail stores, including Sainsbury's and Argos. As you spend you'll receive 2% cashback in the form of

eGift vouchers that can be redeemed in participating stores. By linking your spend to our school on the My School Fund website we'll also earn 1% cashback on your spend. Add that all up across WIS's network of families and together we can all make a big difference. Sign up at <https://www.myschoolfund.org/> to register for free and link to Waynflete Infants' School.

Primary/Infant Schools intake & transfer to Junior Schools in September 2023

As we begin a new academic year, the School Admissions Team for West Northamptonshire Council is starting the process for co-ordinating primary/infant and junior admissions for the September 2023 intake. The easiest and quickest way to apply is online at www.westnorthants.gov.uk/admissions.

It is important that you apply by **5pm on 15th January 2023**. Failure to do this may affect your chances of obtaining a place for your child at a preferred school.

National Online Safety

We would like to remind you that the National Online Safety website has lots of posters and help guides for all the online platforms, as well as quick helpful video guides to help with some top tips for online safety for younger children in KS1. As well as the website you can download an app from the Apple/Android Stores. As a member, school and our parents have free access to the site and all the resources, below is the link for you to register with National Online Safety: <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/waynflete-infants-school>.

The most appropriate course for our age children is the *Annual Certificate in Online Safety for Parents & Carers of Children aged 3-7*, this will provide you with the knowledge and skills you need to feel confident and empowered to help keep children safe online. The course takes approximately 30 minutes and focusses on:

Parenting in a digital world
What are children accessing online
Common Risk
Safety Steps

Access to the course is via the above link and then searching NOS Courses.

Next Week

Monday	Bank Holiday for the State Funeral of Queen Elizabeth II SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday	Football Skills Club – 3 pm until 4 pm Strings
Friday	Sharing Assembly (Your child will bring home a letter if they are sharing)