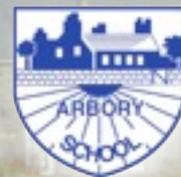




# Arbory School News



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## Dates

7th September 2018

### Dear Parents - Welcome Back!

I hope that you have all had a great summer holiday despite the changeable weather. I would also like to give a warm welcome to all our new children and parents and hope that you will enjoy being part of the Arbory school community. Please take some time to read the information below and make a note of the various dates.

### 19th September

Little Starters Photo

### 21st September

Y6 Council Leader  
Election

### 24th September

School Photos

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Friends Meeting  
7.30pm

### 28th September

School Council  
Elections

### 8th/9th October

Parents' Evenings

### 19th October

Trafalgar Service 10am

### 19th October

Jumble Sale 6.30pm

### 26th October

Harvest / Mhelliagh KS1

### Staffing

We are pleased to welcome Mrs Sowrey who will be teaching in Y4 Mon-Thurs. Teachers have changed classes this year so our school set up is as follows;  
Reception - Mrs Longshaw and Miss Morris  
Year One - Mrs Molnar  
Year Two - Mrs Young  
Year Three - Mr Parry  
Year Four - Mrs Sowrey / Mrs Wood - Thurs pm and Friday  
Year Five - Mrs Collister (Deputy Head)  
Year Six - Mrs Smith

Other teaching staff who do not have a class responsibility are;  
Mrs Hewins - Y2 Tuesday mornings, Y5/6 Thursday mornings and Y1 Thursday afternoons.  
Mrs Kinley - Thursday afternoons in Reception.

### Consent Forms

We have updated the consent forms to comply with the new GDPR regulations and you will be receiving these very soon. The main changes will be linked to data protection and other permissions will be similar to previous years. The forms will take some time to process so if you intend to make any changes to permissions that do not relate to data (eg transport, DVDs etc), please can you let Mrs Bell know when you return the form so that we can make arrangements for school trips and lessons.

### School Photographs

These will take place on Monday 24th September. Pre-school / High School siblings from 8.30am in the hall. Siblings in school will be photographed together during the class photo shoot. (You will also receive a separate letter from Morrison's)

### School Uniform

It is great to see all the children looking so smart in their uniforms but every year we have items of new uniform appearing in lost property during the first couple of weeks; usually with no name visible. Please make sure that your child's name is written clearly on the label or that a name label is attached to each item of clothing - including coats and PE kit. KS2 children should also have their name on swimming kit. If you have items of pre-loved uniform, please make sure that the correct name is visible so that it is not returned to the previous owner.

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Children must wear black shoes **NOT** trainers for school. Some older pupils like to bring trainers to wear at break times for playing football outside and they can change into these at playtimes - but trainers are only for outside wear.

Please make sure all items of uniform have **your** child's name clearly visible.

Items of pre-owned clothing, washed and in good condition are gratefully received and can be sold for a donation to school funds.

### **Swimming/ PE/ Games**

Children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will all have their weekly swimming sessions at the Southern Swimming Pool on a **Thursday** morning.

Please ensure that children have their kit each week and if there is any reason why your child cannot swim, the class teacher must be informed by letter. Children who are not able to swim for a medical reason will still travel to the pool with their class.

### **PE Kits**

Please can you ensure that your child has a PE kit in school every week. Children need shorts and a t-shirt. Correct footwear is pumps not trainers for indoor PE lessons but children are allowed to bring trainers for lessons and clubs outside.

Children with long hair must have it tied back for PE sessions and children with pierced ears must take out their earrings or have them covered with micro-pore tape.

### **School clubs - The clubs below are either after school or need outdoor PE Kit**

Monday - Netball Club - 3.30pm- 4.30pm (tbc) - Fiona Clark-Wilson  
Wednesday - Film Club Y5/6 - 3.30pm- 4.30pm (from 19th) Mrs Molnar / Mrs Longshaw  
Tag Rugby Y2/3/4 - 3.30pm- 4.30pm (From 12th) Mrs Collister  
Thursday - Girls' Football - Y3/4 - **lunchtime** (From 13th) Mr Parry  
Friday - Gardening Club Y6 - **lunchtime** (From 7th) Mr Ayres / Mrs Smith

Other clubs will also run at lunchtime and the children will be notified.

### **Dinner Money**

Milk and dinner money is now due. Please make sure that any renewals or new applications for Free School Meals are completed as soon as possible because these must be paid for until the school is notified by the DEC.

First Half Term - (Y1 to Y6) **£85.50** (Reception Children) **£78.75**  
Whole Term - (Y1 to Y6) **£164.25** (Reception Children) **£157.50**

### **End of the day**

All the children who are not on the bus will leave from the car park end of the hall. Please can I ask that parents don't congregate around the main entrance and path as we need clear access for the children going home by bus.

### **Fruit**

We already have a few volunteers for the fruit rota but we need another half a dozen volunteers to ensure that it works well. Please contact the school office and let Mrs. Bell know if you are able to help.

### **Friends of Arbory School**

The next meeting will be Monday 24th September at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome and we would really appreciate your support.

### **Southern Food Bank**

Thanks to everyone who supported the Food Bank. Collections will now resume and items can be placed in the container by the front entrance. Non-perishable items are needed and a full list is displayed by the collection point. Many thanks.

### **Mission Statement/ Aims/ Golden Rules**

Please find these attached to the newsletter.

Yours sincerely



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