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Arbory School News



Dates

9th September

Venture Centre Trip for
Year 6

16th September

Clubs start this week

20th September

Y6 Council Leader
Election

23rd September

School Photos

27th September

School Council
Elections

14th/15th October

Parents' Evenings

18th October

Jumble Sale 3.30pm
tbc

21st October

Trafalgar Service 10am
Y4

25th October

Harvest /Mhelliagh KS1
Half Term Holiday

4th September 2019

Dear Parents - Welcome Back!

I would like to give you all a warm welcome to the start of the new school year and hope that all our new children and parents 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.

Uniform

Although we have held the cost of uniform for some time, we have had to finally increase prices to cover the costs. As from this week the following prices will apply;

Polo Shirts	£10.50 (Small Adult Size £15.00)
Sweat Shirts	£13.00 (Small Adult Size £18.00)
Cardigans	£13.00
PE Shirts	£6.00
Book Bags	£8.00

Consent Forms

We have updated the consent forms again to comply with GDPR regulations relating to Parent Pay and you will be receiving these very soon. The rest of the consent is exactly the same as in previous years but do please check to see that you have completed them according to your wishes.

The forms will take some time for us 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 23rd 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 Robyn Ackron)

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.

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.

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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. (Starting 12th September)

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.

Dinner Money - This can now be paid through Parent Pay

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 Y5) **£87.40 (Year 6 £75.90)** (Reception Children) **£80.50**

Whole Term - (Y1 to Y5) **£167.90 (Year 6 £156.40)** (Reception Children) **£161.00**

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.

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.

Ready to Start

Please find the the 'Readiness Rocket' attached to the newsletter. This is the area we will be focusing on during September.

Yours sincerely

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