

NEWSLETTER

4th September 2020



Diary Dates

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Dear Parents and Carers

It has been a wonderful couple of days, finally able to welcome all pupils back to school. 'The New Normal', as one Year 4 pupil described it, will soon seem very familiar. We have been delighted with how smoothly new routines and procedures have run, we will just need to spend the next week ironing out a few kinks until we are happy. Any changes that affect you we will let you know about either in our weekly newsletter or a Tuesday email reminder. Please remember to keep checking your email for all the latest information.
Miss Doonan

Bikes and scooters

From Monday children may bring bikes and scooters to school. The racks will be relocated to the fence between the AstroTurf and playground. Each year group will have their own rack. Children can park their bikes and scooters as they go past the racks in the morning and we ask that parents collect them as they walk past at drop off time. As always bikes and scooters are not to be ridden on the playground.



Year 5 and 6 Drop-off

From Monday pupils in Year 5 and 6 may be dropped off at the gate and make their way through the one way system on their own. They must however be collected via the one way system at the end of the day

Year 6 Children making their own way to school

From Monday 14th September Year 6 pupils who have written permission may make their way to and from school on their own.

Welcoming Reception students

Following Zoom calls on Thursday and Friday with the EYFS team, on Monday we look forward to welcoming our new Reception pupils. Please note that they will be using a short cut through the front playground to get to the Reception classroom—this is for Reception families only. If you have pupils in two year groups you will still need to make your way through the one way system at the front of school first before going down to the reception area.

Water Fountains

The fountains remain turned off at present, please ensure your child brings in bottle of water if needed.



Breakfast club and After School club

These begin next Monday. Can we please ask all parents to book this in advance, by the Wednesday of the week before so staff can plan appropriately. Please remember that drop-off for breakfast club needs to be between 7.45 and 8am due to our need to keep gates closed. Thank you.



Reading books

Can we please ask that any school reading books taken home over the lockdown period are returned to school asap.

PE kits

From next week children will resume PE lessons. Children should come to school wearing their PE kit which they can they stay in for the rest of the day. **Year 1,2,4 and 5** will have PE on **Mondays**. **Year 3** will have PE on **Wednesdays**. The PE kit is a navy tracksuit either with the school crest of plain and a pale blue polo t-shirt. Please do not send your child to school in shorts as it is not warm enough for this. Year 6 are due to do swimming this term but we have not yet heard back from the pool as to whether this can go ahead. They will not have a PE lesson next week as a result.

Change of circumstances

We are aware that the last 6 months have been very challenging for many families across the country due to bereavement, redundancy and break up of relationships. If you have had a significant change in circumstances that may effect you financially or emotionally please let us know as we have systems in place to support you and your Children if you are going through a difficult time.

Starting Primary School September 2021 Children born between 1/09/2016 and 31/08/2017 & Secondary School 2021

The application process has begun to apply for a place in Primary School & Secondary School next year. Please visit www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Douay Martyrs Catholic School

Application forms (SIF) and Certificate of Catholic Practice are available of their website:www.douaymartyrs.co.uk

Friends of St Catherine School (FSCS)

We are currently in the process of arranging another Bag to School collection so you can finally get rid of all those things you sorted out during lockdown.

