



Sunday 5 September.

Dear parents/carers,

The holiday is sadly, very nearly over: I hope that you all had a chance to spend some quality time with your child/ren. As with most years, it looks like we are returning to school just as the weather improves. We are very much looking forward to welcoming you all back and getting to know our new reception children and other new comers. We desperately hope that this year will be a more normal year.

This afternoon, I am writing with a few reminders for the coming term.

Start and End of the Day

Children can be delivered to the school between **8.40 – 8.55am**.

Breakfast club is available for those that need it – starting tomorrow morning.

We will be clamping down heavily on attendance and punctuality this year. If you recall from a previous letter, last year lateness amounted to 1505m (over 700m attributable to year 1).

Dahl will enter through the hall door, Shakespeare through the double doors, Wells through the end door and Potter through their class door. This is not due to bubbles, which have now been removed, it stops crowding in narrow corridors.

At the end of the day, all children, with the exception of Dahl Class, will be collected from the playground at 3.15pm. Dahl Class can be collected from their outside area by the offices. We will remind teachers to be prompt with dismissal.

Equipment

In key stage 2 children can bring in their own pencil case. Please, just 1 and sensibly sized. Felt pens, which we will no longer be using in school, are not permitted. Children in the lower year groups will have everything they need provided.

Please ensure that your child comes to school with a water bottle which is named. Children in Year R, 1 & 2 will be provided fruit at break time. Can we remind parents that in key stage 2 appropriate break time snacks are not chocolate biscuits, bags of crisps and items wrapped in pastry: fruit or healthy snack bars only.

We have a new child in school who has an airborne **peanut allergy**, therefore please avoid peanuts in lunches and break time snacks. Obviously, we want to avoid safety issues: I am sure you will all understand.

P.E. Kit

Dahl and Potter Class will need to bring their P.E. to school. We encourage parents to send it in at the beginning of term and we will send it home at the end of the term for washing.

Wells Class, please wear P.E. kit to school on Friday.

Shakespeare, please wear P.E. kit to school on Wednesday.

P.E. kit should consist of a house colour or white t-shirt, black shorts or tracksuit bottoms and a plain black jumper / zip up top or school jumper. NB: Football strips and other variations are not allowed.

School uniform

Summer uniform is permitted this term before we move to winter uniform after October half term. Every year we are left with mountains of unnamed clothing. We will be checking jumpers and cardigans as they are removed and writing names in with sharpies (other permanent markers are available) to try and stop this occurring! Please help us by writing names in advance.

NB: Children should not be returning in trainers, black school shoes only.

Have a lovely evening.

With best wishes and warm regards,

A handwritten signature in green ink, appearing to read 'N. Costello', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Ms. Nichola Costello and everyone at Frittenden CEP