

The Acorns Primary & Nursery School

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Wed 6th – ALL children back in school

(new Reception part-time this week)

Thur 7th - 6T class start swimming in the afternoons

Fri 8th – 9:00am KS1 Family Assembly (not Reception yet)

2:50pm: KS2 Family Assembly – all welcome!

Mon IIth – Tempest photos for individual pupils. Sibling photos can be done before and after school

Mon 25th - 2:20pm NEW Reception parents meeting

Mon 25th – 3:15pm Orian (our caterers) running a taster session for parents & pupils for the autumn menu

OCTOBER

Mon 2nd – 2:20pm NEW Reception parents meeting

Mon 9th - 2:20pm FINAL NEW Reception parents meeting

SCHOOL HUB FOR LUNCHES

Thank you for your commitment to home ordering of lunch meals. School will stop using ParentPay during September, so lunches will be paid for via the School Hub Wallet. You may have already seen this when you are on the portal. A full Parent User guide is available on the website. In summary, those eligible for Free School Meals (including the Universal Free School Meals for Reception and KSI pupils), do not have to do anything with their wallet, just keep pre-ordering your meals at home with your child. Those who pay for a school lunch will need to top up their Wallet prior to ordering a meal.

Please remember, in September, the ordering of lunches MUST be done from home by parents, so please ensure you have downloaded the app and are set up ready for ordering lunches for the first day back. We will then support parents to add the wallet function during September.

SWIMMING

Swimming for 6T begins on Thursday 7th September. Don't forget your kit this is only the second day back! There is a £14 charge for the coach to cover the full half term (7 sessions).



All our staff would like to pass on our appreciation for the lovely cards and gifts that we have received this week. We feel very privileged to be such a huge part of your children's early lives and it is wonderful to read the messages of appreciation from parents and pupils.

We hope that all of our #MiniAcorns and their families have a wonderful summer holiday, and we can't wait for the next school year, starting on Wednesday 6th September. See you then!

CHANGE IN COMMUNICATIONS

We will be moving from ParentPay to Arbor Communication & Arbor Pay during September, and you will be sent an email with your log-in and guidance on how to register. Please action this as soon as you receive it. From September, we will be sending the majority of non-urgent messages via email, and texts will only be for messages of a more urgent nature. Please be alert to emails so you remain up to date with information about your child and the school.

RESIDENTIALS 23-24

It has been so great to get back to all of our residentials this year and to support our pupils to experience such memorable trips.

In September, letters will go out very early for next year's residentials. They will be:

Y2 will be returning to Tattenhall for 2 days / I night
Y4 will be going to LONDON for 2 days / I night
Y6 will be returning to Min-y-Don for 5 days / 4 nights

Deposits will be required early on in the school year, and we will share prices with you as soon as we can for these visits, so that you can budget accordingly. We will continue to heavily subsidise these trips, as we always have done, to ensure as many pupils as possible can attend, as these are such a huge part of their Primary journey. We request that parents also forward-think and do their best to plan how they can meet the financial requirements so that there are no last-minute panics and no disappointed pupils. Many thanks for your support.