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A message from Mrs Williams

A very warm welcome to this edition of our school newsletter. We are incredibly proud of the enthusiasm, kindness and determination our pupils demonstrate each day. Across the school, children continue to embrace our values of **Love, Hope and Courage**, showing respect for one another and a willingness to challenge themselves in their learning.

It was amazing to see so many of our children at the Remembrance Service on Sunday 8th November.

Don't forget to see our celebrations on Class Dojo every Monday. A gentle reminder that the messages to staff on dojo should be informal and low level. If you would like to speak to me, please contact the main office; I am not on Class Dojo every day and don't always pick up the chats.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to the exciting weeks ahead.

Lunches

We have noticed more parents have been relying on the office team to order school lunches.
Please make sure you order school lunches via Parent Pay each week – before the Wednesday deadline.
If you forget to book a lunch, you will now be asked to bring a packed lunch to school. We will not be able to order you a lunch that day or for that week.

The catering company need to have their numbers by Friday for ordering.

Morning Routines and Punctuality

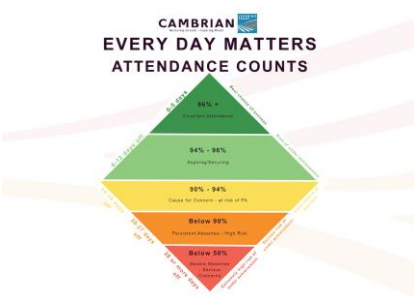
To ensure that every child makes the very best start to their day, we would like to remind families about our morning routines. School gates open at 8.25am, classroom doors open at 8.30am, and learning begins immediately. The school gates close at 8.40am – this does not mean arrive at 8.40am. It is important that children arrive in school before 8.40am.

Registers are taken as children enter their classrooms, and any child arriving after 8.40am will be marked as late. To allow time to enter the building and settle into class, children should aim to be on the playground by 8.30am.

Due to an increasing number of children arriving at or after 8.40am, from next week the senior leader on gate duty will record the names of children arriving at this time and will escort them into school. This change has been introduced to support the smooth running of the school day and to reduce the number of late arrivals being taken to class by office staff.

Thank you for your support in helping your child arrive on time each day. A prompt start ensures that children are ready for learning from 8.30am and do not miss valuable teaching and learning opportunities.

Punctuality is a focus for this term and when there is a concern, communication from school will be actioned.



All things are possible for one who believes

A REMINDER ABOUT SCHOOL UNIFORM

PLEASE REFER TO OUR POLICY WHICH CAN BE FOUND HERE:

https://www.shrivenhamschool.co.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=737&type=pdf

Especially as winter approaches, the children need to have warm PE kits, but they must be in line with our school uniform policy please. We have recently noticed a more items that are not listed creep into school

4. Expectations for school uniform

4.1. Our school's uniform

Wearing a uniform helps children feel part of our school community. It demonstrates a commonality and a respect for the institution within which the children belong. This can only be achieved if the below is adhered to - thank you for your support.

School Uniform:

- Royal blue sweatshirt/cardigan with or without the school logo
- White or blue polo shirt - **this is the same colour blue as the jumper - not pale blue**
- Grey trousers / shorts / dress / skirts / culottes
- Blue and white gingham dress for (late spring/summer)
- Plain white / black / grey socks
- Black shoes
- Shrivenham blue fleece - only to be worn outside - this is not as a replacement for a jumper of a cardigan



PE Kit:

- Plain black or navy shorts / skorts / leggings
- White T-Shirt
- Black leggings or joggers
- Trainers
- Logos should be small and minimal
- Optional school logo Navy Hoody or black/navy hoody
- Earrings must be removed or covered by tape
- Long hair must be tied back.



Swimming:

Appropriate swimwear should be worn including:

- One-piece swimming costumes, swimming shorts and swimming hats.
- Goggles may be worn (with completed permission slip).

No bikinis or over-sized shorts allowed

Please ensure all items are clearly named. www.easy2name.com produce a variety of labels for school uniform and personal belongings

Jewellery:

- One pair of Silver or Gold ear-studs in the lobe only - no hoops
- Make-up and nail varnish are not permitted at school.
- Simple watch on the wrist that does not include apps, camera, games, etc

WE HAVE CHILDREN WITH SEVERE NUT ALLERGIES IN SCHOOL AND THEREFORE ASK FOR VIGILENCE IN SENDING IN 'NUT FREE' OPTIONS

We encourage a balanced snack and lunch at school.
Reception, year 1 and Year 2 receive a healthy snack provided by school and an option of Milk as well.
Year 3 – 6 need to bring in a snack to school. For this, we strongly encourage something healthy such as:

- Cereal bars
- Cheese
- Yoghurts
- Crackers
- Fruit or Vegetables

We discourage chocolate and crisps at breaktimes.

Every child needs to have a water bottle in school and preferably water in the bottles. We do not allow fizzy drinks, concentrated fruit juice, hot drinks or energy drinks.

Dates	Activity
02.11.2026	TD DAY – no children in school
03.11.2026	WELCOME BACK – Term 2
06.11.2026	NO CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY
10.11.2026	SCHOOL PHOTOS – INDIVIDUAL AND SIBLING
10.11.2026	Police Anti Bullying talk – Year 5 and 6
11.11.2026	Remembrance Service in school – no parents
12.11.2026	SEND Coffee morning
13.11.2026	Children in Need – Wear something Yellow or spotty
14.11.2026	CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY 2.30 – Parents sign in at OFFICE
16.11 – 20.11	ANTI – BULLYING WEEK
16.11.2026	Odd Socks Day – wear odd socks to support anti bullying week
17.11 – 24.11	Book Fair in School
18.11	Bright Sparks Assembly
20.11	Reception Phonics Workshop 9am and then classroom visit 9.30am
20.11.2026	CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY 2.30 – Parents sign in at OFFICE
w/c 23.11.2026	Assessment week
27.11.2026	CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY 2.30 – Parents sign in at OFFICE
01.12.2026	Advent Service in school – no parents
03.12.2026	SEND parent updates – phone calls
04.12.2026	CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY 2.30 – Parents sign in at OFFICE
07.12.2026	Music recital 9am
09.12.2026	Pre school stay and play
11.12.2026	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch
11.12.2026	NO CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY
15.12.2026	Year 1 and 2 Christmas Play @ 2pm
15.12.2026	Year 1 and 2 Christmas Play @6pm
16.12.2026	Reception Nativity @ 2pm
17.12.2026	Carols around the tree @ 4.30pm
18.12.2026	CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY – no parents
18.12.2026	1.05pm FINISH
21.12 – 01.01	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
04.01.2027	TD DAY
05.01.2027	WELCOME BACK TERM 3
Other key dates pencilled in for the year	
12.01.2027 14.01.2027	Parents' Evenings 3.30 – 6.30
15.01.2027	Young Voices
Term 3 onwards	Swimming – dates and payment information coming on a separate letter in term 1 Year 3, 4, 5 and non-swimmers Year 6
04.02.2027	NSPCC Number Day

09.02.2027	Safer Internet Day
11.02.2027	Year 6 Class Assembly 1.45pm
15.02 – 19.02	Half Term
04.03.2027	World Book Day
w/c 08.03.2027	Year 5 Bikeability
10.03.2027	SEND Coffee morning
11.03.2027	Year 4 Class Assembly 1.45pm
19.03.2027	Red Nose Day
24.03.2027	Easter Service – St Andrews – parents invited Year 4, 5, 6 leading this service
25.03.2027	Year 3 Class Assembly 1.45pm
26.03 - 09.04	Easter Holidays
13.04.2027 15.04.2027	Parents' Evenings 3.30 – 6.30
28.04.2027	Year 2 class assembly (both classes together) 1.45pm
30.04.2027	Purple Up Day!
w/c 10th May	Year 6 SATS week
18.05.2027	SEND Parents Meetings
26.05.2027	Year 1 Class Assembly 1.45pm
31.05 – 04.06	Half term
07.06.2027	TD DAY

Dates	**Activity**
w/c 08.06.2027	SPORTS WEEK
10.06.2027	Sports' Day and Picnic 10 – 1.00
22.06.2027	OPAL Parents stay and play session 1.30 – 2.45
30.06.2027	Shuffle up am
01.07.2027	Year 5 Class Assembly 1.45pm
07.07 – 09.07	Year 6 Residential
08.07.2027	SEND Parents Meeting
14.07.2027	Shuffle up am
15.07.2027	Reception Class Assembly (both together) 2pm
16.07.2027	SEND Coffee morning
19.07.2027	Year 6 Leavers' at School – parents
21.07.2027	Year 6 Leavers' Service at Church – parents
22.07.2027	LAST DAY 1.05pm FINISH