



NEWSLETTER

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Free School Meals

If your personal circumstance have changed during the COVID period/Summer holidays, your child may be entitled to free school meals and other benefits including free school uniform.

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/schools/school-meals-uniforms-and-trips/apply-for-free-school-meals/>

If you have older children at school and they are already entitled to Free School Meals, you have to apply again for any younger siblings who have just started school.

Term Dates

2021-2022

Autumn Term

Monday 6 September

Thursday 16 December

Half term week 25 October

Spring Term

Wednesday 5 January

Friday 8 April

Half term week 21

February

Summer Term

Monday 25 April

Thursday 21 July

Half term week 30 May

PD Day

2 & 3 September

4 January

28 February

22 July

Bank Holiday

Monday 2 May

Snacks

Children in Willow and Elm classes are provided with fruit or vegetables each day. Children in Oak, Hazel and Chestnut classes may also bring in a healthy snack for playtime ie. fruit, vegetable sticks etc. We are a nut free school.

Diary Dates

29 September – individual school photographs

8 October – Harvest Service (more information soon)

11 October – Bags2School collection

19-20 October Parent/carer consultations

25-29 October – Half term

11 November – Remembrance (details to follow)

17 November – Flu Vaccinations

16 December – Last day of term

Autumn Term Menus

Sam Chapman, our Head of Kitchen, will be following the new menus which are on the school website (parents & carers- Newsletters) and no alternative will be available unless Vertas is unable to provide the necessary provisions.

Applications for High School

September 2022

All Y6 parents should have received a letter with information about applying for high schools for September 2022 – closing date for applications is 31 October 2021. If you haven't received the letter, please contact the school office.

Well-being

The last year has been a struggle for many families and young people. If you are concerned about the mental health of your child/ren, help is available. We can refer for support through agencies at school. You may also access help and advice via <https://www.youngminds.org.uk/> or <https://www.partnershipforchildren.org.uk/what-we-do/childrens-wellbeing-activities-for-teaching-staff-and-families.html> or <https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/news/covid/supporting-children-young-people-mental-health>

Packed Lunches

We encourage healthy eating at school and packed lunch boxes should not contain sweets or fruit squash (only water). The wrappings etc. from their packed lunches are sent home so you can see what your child/ren have eaten.