



Framwellgate Moor Primary School



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It has been absolutely fabulous to see all of the children today and we are all excited to start the new term, working in partnership with you to ensure a happy and settled start to the year.

An updated Risk assessment can be found on the website, children will continue to be reminded to do the following throughout the school day:

Pupils will be asked to wash their hands when they arrive and after each break.
There will be hand sanitiser that they will also use throughout the day
Children will be encouraged to have regular drinks from their own water bottle

Exits and Entrances

Reception – Ship

Year 1/2 corridor steps

Year 3 – Year 3 door

Year 4/5/6 – Entrance next to Trim Trail on school field

A polite reminder that Year 4/5/6 pupils should not enter the school field to play before 8:30am.

Class Newsletter

A class newsletter will be sent home on Friday 10th September giving further information about topics taught this term and tips on how you can support your child.

Congratulations

Miss Tait married during the summer break and is returning as Mrs Heslop. Mrs Heslop will be the TA in Y1/2 this year and is also running some art and craft after school clubs.

New School Holiday Timetable

The new School Holiday Timetable for the academic year 2021/2022 can be found on the school website along with the 2022/2023 timetable for next year. Please be aware that this term we have a school training day on Friday 22nd October. Which means that we will be breaking up for half term on Thursday 21st October 2021 and returning after the break on Monday 1st November.

COVID

We will no longer be operating in Bubbles, however, we plan to continue with many good practises that are in place. Children will wash their hands on arrival and at each break. They will have constant access to hand sanitiser. The use of tissues reinforced and class resources and spaces will continue to be sprayed and cleaned diligently.

Reception Parents

An information workshop is planned for Friday 1st October at 9:15am for Reception parents on TEAMS. This will inform you of how phonics is taught and how you can support your child's home learning. Please email the school framwellgate.primary@durhamlearning.net with the email address that you would like us to send the invite to. Please be aware that TEAMS shows the email addresses of all attendees.

Year 4/5/6 Parents

Swimming letters are going home this evening which contain further information.

Breakfast Club

The Munch Bunch Club is open from 7.30am each morning and led by Mrs Field and Mr Irwin. The cost is £4.00 per day. Please enquire at the main office if you would like to use this facility.



School Lunches

Lunches are free for pupils in Reception/Year 1 and Year 2. Year 3/4/5/6 will be required to pay £2.15 per day. If you require a user name, password and details about how to access the online lunch payment system called Parent Pay, please ask at the Main Office.

Milk

Pupils entitled to Free School meals will receive a carton of milk if they choose to drink it. If they are in KS2, they can opt to have it at morning break or at the lunch table instead of water.

Once your child has had their 5th Birthday, they no longer receive free school milk. However, you can order milk through the Cool Milk Scheme and your child can access this in any year group. They can choose whether to drink this at morning break or at lunchtime.

Collecting your child

Reminder – for safeguarding reasons, please notify us in writing or by phone call if someone other than the usual adult is to collect your child/ren.

Pupils in the Nursery, Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 must be collected by their regular adult and not a child/sibling unless organised through the school.

Year 1 and Year 2 will be collected from the corridor steps.

Year 3 pupils to be collected from the Year 3 door which is the same as drop off please.

Y4/5/6 pupils will be walked to the top of Black Path or Main Gate as appropriate at the end of the school day.

Year 5 and 6 Parents

Walking home alone

There is a slip to sign if your child is in Year 5 or 6 and permitted to walk home alone. Please make sure that this is completed if required.

Those pupils walking home alone may be allowed to keep their phone in the main office during the day. There is a slip for parents to consent to this if required. The phone will be turned off and kept in the main office.

Robinwood – Year 6

We have booked our visit to Robin Wood next year and the dates are Wednesday 8th – Friday 10th June. An initial information meeting will be held via TEAMS on 9th September at 4pm. If you would like to attend this then please request an invitation via framwellgate.primary@durhamlearning.net

You should receive your invitation by lunchtime on 9th September. If you are unable to attend we will send out the main points discussed on Friday 10th September.

Endless adventure

The Year 5 pupils and the Year 6 pupils who do not wish to attend Robin Wood will attend an Outward Bounds day at Causey Arch on Thursday 9th June 2022. The cost will be £40 and pupils will experience rock climbing, abseiling, team building and orienteering.

Homework

Homework will be given on a Thursday and need completing and brought back to school by Tuesday.

Uniform

PE kits can be purchased from school (£8) or the Y4/5/6 children can continue to use the Sainsbury's School PE kit.

If your child brings in the money in an envelope, we will help find the correct size and write their name on it. PE bags will be given by the school and be in their House colour. Please ensure that children bring trainers or plimsolls into school on the day they have PE. Where possible if they could be left in school in your child's PE bag that would be great.

Fruit

Fruit can be brought into school by the KS2 pupils if they wish to have a snack at morning break. We do provide some extra fruit per week but if it is popular it may not last the week! No snack bars please.



Data Collection

Current details we have for your child/ren, printed from our computer system, will be sent out tomorrow. Please check all of the details and then send the form back into school by Friday 10th September so that we can update your details. Please ensure that the emergency contact number you give will be able to help the school in an emergency situation if we are unable to contact the other given numbers. If your contact details change, please inform the main office straight away.

Music Lessons

The Y3 pupils will be learning the recorder this term. The Y4/Y5 and Y6 pupils will be taught by Mrs Curry on a Thursday afternoon. This will include using our 30 class glockenspiels/boom whackers and hand bells. The Year 1/2/3 pupils will be taught music by Mrs Ray and will use many resources including a software programme called Charanga.

Dinner Money

Please use Parent Pay to pay for school lunches. If you require a reminder for the login details, please ask at the Main Office. School lunches are £2.15 per day. Payment for lunches for the first half of the Autumn Term is £77.40. 36 days at £2.15 = £77.40

Medical Forms

Please make sure that medical forms are updated and completed if required. Please check that medication has not expired and let the school know of any new medical issues.

Attendance

We have updated the school Attendance Policy with regards to COVID-19 and this can be found on the school website.

Lateness

Please arrive at school for 8.45am. Valuable learning takes place at this time and pupils who are late miss out on this learning and it is very difficult for them.

Earrings

Earrings and jewellery are not allowed to be worn in school. If your child has their ears pierced during the holidays, please assist your child in practising to take them in and out as this can be quite tricky at first. Wearing tape to cover ears can cause issues such as ears sweating and becoming infected.

PSHE (Personal, Social and Health Education)

The school has signed up to a new teaching resource called JIGSAW for teaching pupils' skills in PSHE. The scheme has 6 half termly themes and weekly topics within these themes. Assemblies will also match the PSHE topics being taught in class and we will be celebrating this learning in our Celebration assemblies and hope to display pupils' learning in our school hall at the end of this term. There is a different fun Jigsaw character for each year group in the form of a jigsaw cushion and will be used in class as a resource. The topics covered for each year group are identified on the Overview sheet attached to this letter. The RSE (Relationships and Sex Education) Policy will also be merged with the PSHE Policy and will be completed in the near future, we will let you know when this has been completed. The Relationship topics are identified on the Jigsaw Overview attached so that you can see the topics taught within this theme at different ages. Our PSHE policy is in the process of being updated to identify the use of the JIGSAW programme and the topics/themes taught to our children across the school at different ages. The scheme has been utilised successfully by other schools and we feel that the structure and resources will support our children's pastoral and social development.

Clubs

The forms for After-School Club sign up have gone home this evening. Please complete and bring in tomorrow as the places are allocated on a first come first served basis.

Please do not send in money until you have received an email confirmation of a place. The Club payments will also be set up on Parent Pay.

Jeans for Genes Day

On Friday 17th September pupils can choose to wear their jeans (and non uniform) to help raise money for the charity 'JeansforGenes.' This costs £2 and all proceeds will be donated to help to improve the lives of children with life-altering genetic disorders.

