



Great Coates Primary

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Welcome Back!

What a fabulous start to the term we have had!! The children have come back to school with great enthusiasm and have really got off to a great start. We are aiming to do a weekly newsletter via email for the next couple of weeks before we move to a virtual newsletter which you will be able to access via the school's website. I just want to take this opportunity to remind you that school starts at 8:50am – we are no longer staggering start and finish times so it's really important children are in school on time. The doors will be opened at 8:40 each morning so that as children arrive they will just go straight to class and settle before the register needs to be done. Adults are on the playground and doors every morning if you need to pass key messages to the teacher.

Dates for your diary

Year 6 Expectations Virtual Meeting - 16.9.21 (Letter to follow)
Individual and Family Photos - 23.9.21 (More details to follow)
Year 4 Swimming Begins – 29.11.21 (More details to follow)
Flu vaccines 02.12.21- (Information has been emailed) Consent needs to be completed by 28th September.

Autumn Half term – 22.10.21
Return to school – 01.11.21
End of Autumn Term – 17.12.21
Beginning of Spring Term – 05.01.22

Scoters and Bikes

Whilst we actively want to encourage children coming to school on their bikes and scooters, they must not be ridden on the school premises before or after school. Children must walk them round to the bike sheds when entering the school site. Thank you.

Earrings and Jewellery

Whilst earrings (studs) can be worn to school, it is important that they are removed on PE days. If your child can remove them on their own, this can be done at school, however, children cannot wear earrings or any other jewellery for PE. Adults cannot remove them for the children. If your child cannot take them out independently, we ask that they are not worn on PE days. Thank you for your support.

Reading Expectations and Book Bags

Improving reading for all our children is a priority of the school and your child should have brought a levelled reading book home to read. We have bought new reading books which we would like to stay in perfect condition and therefore ask parents if they can provide a book bag for reading books. Uniform Direct sells the book bags with a school logo. We feel a book bag will enable your child a smooth transition between home and school. It is important to us that your child uses this resource and children are encouraged to be responsible for all school equipment going home from Reading Records to our school reading books etc. (Any bag suitable for carrying a book will be acceptable initially – you may have these at home already). Pupils are expected to read at home three times a week. We are encouraging the pupils to read with a range of reading rewards. For every three reads, pupils will receive a special reading ticket. This will be put into a box. Every week a ticket will be drawn out of the box in assembly and that person will win a book. Pupils will also receive certificates for 25 reads, 50 reads, 75 reads, 100 reads, 125 reads and 150 reads. They will also be awarded a book when they achieve 150 reads. Please encourage your child to read at home. We will be tracking class reading percentages and publishing them on our newsletter.

PE days – Please bring PE kit for outdoor and indoor PE on both days

Key Stage 1 PE

Reception – Friday
Miss Watson – Wednesday and Thursday
Miss Winn - Monday and Thursday
Mrs Brown – Monday and Wednesday

Key Stage 2 PE

Mrs Cox – Wednesday and Friday
Miss Baxter – Monday and Tuesday
Mrs Bradley – Monday and Friday
Miss O’Neill – Tuesday and Wednesday
Mr Baxter - Tuesday and Friday
Mrs Martin – Tuesday and Thursday

Tuck Shop

Tuck shop in on Thursday and Friday.
Each item costs 25p. Key Stage 1 pupils can buy one item and key stage 2 can buy 2 items. The list of items to buy will be posted on the school Facebook page.

Contact Details

As much of our information to you is disseminated via email or text, it is important that we have up-to-date contact numbers. If you change any of your contact details, please inform the office so our systems can be updated. You can do this over the phone or email.

Design Competition

The Sewing Hut at Meridian Craft Arena Cleethorpes is running a very exciting competition! Great Coates pupils have been invited to draw a picture of their favourite things and bring them into school. They will be sent to The Sewing Hut to be entered into a draw. A design will be picked at random and the lucky winner will have their picture transferred onto a T shirt.

Please make sure you write your full name and class teacher’s name on the back of your design. All completed designs will be rewarded with a sweet treat!

School Uniform - Reminders

Below is our expectations on uniform which will also serve as a reference throughout the year.

SWEATSHIRT: Logo sweatshirt or a plain red sweatshirt or cardigan.

SKIRT/TROUSERS: Black or dark grey skirts/pinafore or trousers/shorts/ red check summer dress

SHIRT White polo shirts underneath sweatshirts

SHOES: Black flat school shoes – no trainers.

PE KIT

Plain white t shirt / black shorts/ Plimsolls or trainers for inside P.E.

Trainers for outdoor games.

Jogging bottoms or dark coloured track suits may be worn in cold weather.