



The Drive Community Primary School

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Friday 15th September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Website Updates – what has been uploaded this week?

All Friday letters and updates (not linked to specific areas: Safeguarding, Online Safety etc.), will be published in either: **Parents – Friday Letters – Autumn 1 2023 OR Parents – Letters and Flyers**

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<https://www.thedriveprimary.co.uk/friday-letters/>

Behaviour Policy

Next week, the Behaviour Policy will be published. I would be grateful if you could read it through with your child/children and then sign the Home School Agreement that is on the last page of the Policy and return it to school as soon as possible. Your support and collaboration with school in relation to your child's behaviour is always appreciated and often makes a huge difference. As always, if you have any questions or would like some support with your child's behaviour at home, we are more than happy to support. Thanks again for your cooperation and for working with us to maintain good behaviour at The Drive.

Attendance – The League

0 points if attendance is below 96%

1 point awarded for weekly attendance figures between 96% - 97.5%

2 points awarded for weekly attendance figures between 97.6% - 98.9%

3 points awarded for weekly attendance figures between 99% - 100%

Well done Year 3 and Year 6 for getting on the Attendance League Table this week. A few holidays' last week and remember, being late affects not only your child's attendance, but they also miss crucial learning and the class percentage is also affected. *Just a reminder, gates will be shut at 8:45; therefore, any time after this, you will need to sign your children in at the office.*

If you think you may need support with morning routines, sleep routines or behaviour at home, Mrs Conroy (Home School Liaison Officer) and I are very happy to support with this.

Thank you to everyone who already has 100% attendance so far this half term – keep it up and watch this space for new initiatives that our Attendance Team will be working on this half term!

Teams	Total Points	Overall Weekly Attendance
Nursery	0	87.71%
Reception	0	92.16%
Year 1	0	94.23%
Year 2	0	92.39%
Year 3	1	96.35%
Year 4	0	89.20%
Year 5	0	82.24%
Year 6	1	97.40%





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Have a lovely weekend everyone (I hope it isn't too wet) and we will see you on Monday.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs R Farren
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Dates for the Diary – dates will be added to and possibly changes made. Keep an eye on our website calendar also.

**Just a reminder, a 'C' will feature next to an event that requires parent/carer consent.
 PLEASE NOTE, CONSENT IS NOW GIVEN ON PARENT PAY www.parentpay.com**

Autumn Term 2023 – 8 week half term	
Monday 18 th September	Clubs Commence Letters issued 12.09.23.
Friday 22 nd September	Free Book Friday Children will be given the opportunity to choose a book from our free book selection if they wish – no money required and no consent necessary.
Monday 25 th September	WOW Walk to School Re-launch! Assembly and a surprise
Tuesday 26 th September	
Tuesday 3 rd October	School Photographs More details to follow
Wednesday 4 th October	Parent/Carer Coffee Morning 9:00 – 10:00 in the Hall
	Primary Cross-Country Competition C More details to follow
Thursday 5 th October	Year 4 Trip – Live Tales C More details to follow
Tuesday 10 th October	World Mental Health Day
Wednesday 11 th October	Year 2 and Year 4 Trip – Washington Wetland C More details to follow
Thursday 12 th October	KS1 Indoor Athletics Festival C More details to follow
Tuesday 24 th October	Intra- Sport School Competition C More details to follow
Thursday 26 th October	Year 5/6 Sports hall Athletics C More details to follow
Friday 27 th October	Break up for half term

