



Newsletter - Autumn 1 2022

Welcome back to the new school year!

I hope you have all had a wonderful summer, spending time together as a family and have enjoyed the beautiful weather we were lucky enough to have.

It has been lovely to see the children back in school this morning, catching up with their friends and becoming familiar with their new classrooms and routines.

I would like to give a special welcome to our new playgroup, nursery and reception children who have joined our Ringway family today, it is an exciting time for them all.

Myself and school staff are all excited to get started with the academic year and look forward to continuing our partnership with parents in supporting children's learning.

We were incredibly proud of the progress all children achieved last school year, despite the previous year's disruptions and are excited to see what will be accomplished this year.

Please ensure you have read the 'September 2022 Information' letter that was given to the children in their new school bags on transfer day back in July (this can also be found on our website in the ['Letters Home'](#) tab). This explains more about important systems and procedures in school.

I have included important dates for the term at the end of this newsletter – more information about each event will be given closer to each date.

As always, thank you for your continued support, it really is appreciated.

Mrs L Robson

Attendance and Punctuality

Children are expected to arrive at school on time each day. School starts for all children at 8.45am, with registers closing at 8.50am. If your child arrives after this time, they will be marked as late. Anyone who is late must enter school through the main reception door to ensure they are signed in.

School will close for all children at 3.15pm. At pick up time, doors will close 5 minutes after the allocated slot. Anyone who has not been collected by this time, will go to after-school club and a charge raised on ParentPay for this.

If your child has permission to walk home (Year 4 and above - written consent must be provided for this), they will be dismissed at 3.15pm. Please note that permission for children to walk home independently must encompass every school day and not be given on a day by day basis. Children with permission to walk home will be dismissed from their classroom door at 3:15pm. Any additional arrangements (e.g. meeting places etc) following your child's dismissal from school must be arranged between yourselves and your child.

Any absences must be reported to the school office on each day of absence. Attendance and lateness will be recorded and monitored and school will follow the procedures to refer to the EWO (Educational Welfare Officer) if and when needed.

Whilst we do not encourage leave in term time, if you do intend on taking your child away, it is vital you fill in a leave of absence request form. In most circumstances we are advised to not authorise any requests but the requested dates are marked onto our registers and school then knows where your child is. It is best to be truthful because the children often talk about an impending holiday or speak about their holidays on their return.

PE Days

Class teachers will share PE days for their individual classes via Class Dojo. Children should come to school on their PE day in PE uniform. As per our [School Uniform Policy](#), this must be a **plain** white t-shirt, black shorts, leggings or jogging bottoms, black trainers or suitable black footwear for outdoor PE sessions. Children can also wear a black hoody (optional) or their school jumper/cardigan.

Earrings

Where our uniform policy allows one small pair of stud earrings, we would also like to remind parents that earrings cannot be worn for PE lessons (this includes swimming where children will not be allowed to enter the pool if they are wearing earrings, in line with Active Northumberland's Policy) If your child wears earrings for school, these will need to be removed by the child (or by parents before the school day) for PE lessons. Staff are not able to assist the children with this .

Due to the 6 weeks healing time needed for pierced ears, we strongly advise that children do not get their ears pierced during the school year as it will have a significant impact on the access their PE lessons in school.

One-Way System

Please continue to use our one-way system. Although Covid procedures are no longer in place, we have found for health and safety and safeguarding that the one-way system is helpful. If you are running late, please use the main office rather than cheating and going the opposite way to the one-way system.

Local Residents and Parking

Last year, we received a large amount of concerns from our local residents about the parking outside of school and along Ringway. This included blocking full and part driveways, double parking and parents being rude when challenged about this.

It was also disappointing to see on our car park CCTV that EVERY DAY there were some parents parking on the yellow lines outside of school that are there for the safety of our children arriving to and leaving school. **The yellow lines should not be parked on at any time before, after or during the school day.**

Please consider if it is necessary to bring your car onto Ringway and if it is necessary to do so, please be mindful of where your car is parked and if it impacts on our local residents being able to access and leave their own homes and driveways easily and safely.

I really hope for your cooperation with this and would appreciate this message be passed on to anyone who supports you in bringing your child/ren into and from school.

Home-school Communication

We kindly ask that parents continue to either telephone or email the office if they need to pass messages on. Staff will be at classroom doors at the beginning and end of each day for quick messages but if you would like to speak to a member of staff for a longer issue or concern, please arrange a suitable time via the school office.

Please use these pathways so we can best respond to your query or concern.

Concern	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3
If you're concerned about a friendship issue or an incident at breaktime.	Contact your child's Class Teacher via admin email address or phone call via the school office.	If unresolved, contact Assistant Headteacher via admin email address or phone call via the school office.	If unresolved, contact Headteacher, Mrs Robson via admin email address or phone call via the school office.
	Response time: Within 24 Hours	EYFS/ KS1 – Mrs K Smith KS2 – Mrs K Sparrow Response time: Within 24 Hours	Response time: Within 24 Hours

Concern	Step 1	Step 2	Step 3
If you're concerned about an aspect of your child's learning.	Contact your child's Class Teacher via admin email address or phone call via the school office.	If unresolved, contact Assistant Headteacher via admin email address or phone call via the school office.	If unresolved, contact Headteacher, Mrs Robson via admin email address or phone call via the school office.
	Response time: Within 72 Hours	EYFS/ KS1 – Mrs K Smith KS2 – Mrs K Sparrow Response time: Within 72 Hours	Response time: Within 72 Hours

Concern	Step 1	Step 2
If you're concerned about a member of staff	Contact Assistant Headteacher via admin email address or phone call via the school office.	If unresolved, contact Headteacher, Mrs Robson via admin email address or phone call via the school office.
	EYFS/ KS1 – Mrs K Smith KS2 – Mrs K Sparrow Response time: Within 24 Hours	Response time: Within 24 Hours

Concern	Step 1	Step 2
If you're concerned about the safety and welfare of a child.	Contact either of the school's safeguarding leads: Mrs Robson – Designated safeguarding lead. Deputy designated safeguarding leads: Mrs K Smith Mrs C Mackay Mrs K Sparrow	If you're not happy with the response, call One Call on 01670 536400
	Response time: Within 24 Hours	

School Dinners

Please remember to order your child's dinners on ParentPay before Thursday for the following week (text message will be sent each week to remind you). If you do not order, your child will be given the main hot option each day.

Breakfast Club and After-School Club

Breakfast club is open from 8am each day and after-school club runs from 3.30pm-4.30pm. Both clubs must be booked and paid for via ParentPay at least 48 hours in advance and require at least 24 hours notice of cancellation to be eligible for a refund.

School Places

Do you know of anyone relocating to the area and looking for school places? We currently still have spaces in most of our classes.

TERM DATES 2022/2023

HOLIDAY OR OCCASION OF CLOSURE	DATE ON WHICH SCHOOL WILL CLOSE	DATE ON WHICH SCHOOL WILL REASSEMBLE
TEACHER TRAINING DAY	MONDAY 5 SEPTEMBER 2022	
Summer 2022	Thursday 21 July 2022	Tuesday 6 September 2022
October Mid Term 2022	Friday 21 October 2022	Monday 31 October 2022
TEACHER TRAINING DAY	Monday 9 JANUARY 2023	
Christmas/New Year 22/23	Friday 23 December 2022	Tuesday 10 January 2023
TEACHER TRAINING DAY	FRIDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2023	
Spring Mid Term 2023	Friday 17 February 2023	Monday 27 February 2023
	Monday 17 APRIL 2023	
Easter 2023	Friday 31 March 2023	Tuesday 18 April 2023
MAY DAY	MONDAY 1 MAY 2023	
TEACHER TRAINING DAY	FRIDAY 26 MAY 2023	
Summer Mid Term 2023	Thursday 25 May 2023	Monday 5 June 2023
Summer 2023	Friday 21 July 2023	Monday 4 September 2023

Our Safeguarding Team 2022

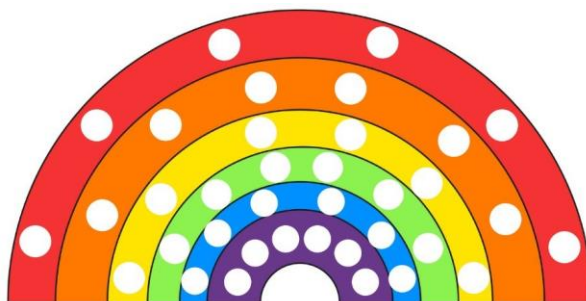
Our Safeguarding Children Team

<p>Designated Safeguarding Lead</p>  <p>Name: Lisa Robson Title: Headteacher</p>	<p>Designated Safeguarding Deputy</p>  <p>Name: Kaye Smith Title: Assistant Headteacher/ SENDCo</p>
<p>Designated Safeguarding Deputy</p>  <p>Name: Kari Sparrow Title: Assistant Headteacher</p>	<p>Designated Safeguarding Deputy</p>  <p>Name: Carolyn Mackay Title: Nursery Lead Practitioner</p>

If you are concerned about a child please talk to us

September 2022

School Home Reading Tracker



New School Update

At this point, there isn't a lot of updates on our new school building. Over the past 12 months, there has been lots of paperwork and site surveys being carried out. The DFE have, over the summer break, completed their feasibility study and will soon be seeking contractors. Once contractors are in place, they will be able to update us on more definite plans that we can then share with you all. I am told it is getting to the exciting part of the development where things will start moving, designs will be released and if we are still on timescale, construction will commence this academic year with the hope to be complete by Spring 2024.

School Calendar for Autumn Term 2022

Monday 5 th September	Teacher Training Day
Friday 9 th September	Year 6 Forest School
Friday 16 th September	Jeans for Genes Day
Friday 16 th September	Year 5 Forest School
Friday 23 rd September	Year 4 Forest School
Monday 26 th September	Languages Day
Tuesday 27 th September	Macmillan Nursery/ Reception Coffee Morning 9.30-10.30am
Wednesday 28 th September	Flu Immunisations in school.
Wednesday 28 th September	Macmillan KS1 Coffee Afternoon (Year 1 and Year 2) 2.15pm-3.15pm
Thursday 29 th September	Macmillan UKS2 Coffee Afternoon (Year 5 and Year 6) 2.15pm-3.15pm
Friday 30 th September	Macmillan LKS2 Coffee Morning (Year 3 and Year 4) 2.15pm-3.15pm
Friday 30 th September	Year 3 Forest School
Tuesday 4 th October	Space Week
Friday 7 th October	Year 2 Forest School
Monday 10 th October	Assessment week in school
Monday 10 th October	'Hello Yellow' Mental Health Day
Friday 14 th October	Autumn Reports to Parents
Friday 14 th October	Year 1 Forest School
Monday 17 th October	Parent's Evening
Tuesday 18 th October	Parent's Evening
Wednesday 19 th October	Harvest Collection
Thursday 20 th October	School Photos
Thursday 20 th October	Halloween Disco KS2
Friday 21 st October	Halloween Theme Day – Whole school Halloween Party - Nursery/Rec/Year 1 and Year 2
Friday 21 st October	Reception Forest School – Halloween Themed
Friday 21 st October	School Finishes for October Half Term Break
Monday 31 st October	Children return to school
Friday 4 th November	House winners Non-uniform
Friday 11 th November	Non-uniform - Fayre donation
WB Monday 14 th November	Anti-Bullying Week
WB Monday 14 th November	Maths Week
Friday 18 th November	Children in Need
Tuesday 29 th November	Nursery, Reception and Years 1 and 2 Christmas Fayre (pm) (TBC)
Wednesday 30 th November	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 Christmas Fayre (pm) (TBC)
Thursday 8 th December	Xmas Jumper Day
Thursday 8 th December	Xmas Dinner Day
Monday 12 th December	Years 1 and 2 Performances (pm) (TBC)
Tuesday 13 th December	Nursery/Reception Performances (am) (TBC)
Thursday 15 th December	Years 5 and 6 Performances (pm) (TBC)
Friday 16 th December	Years 3 and 4 Performances (am) (TBC)
Friday 16 th December	Year 5 and 6 Film afternoon (pm)
Monday 19 th December	Year 1 and 2 Christmas Party (pm)

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