Wednesday 26th June 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

I wanted to contact you to share some preparation information ready for the next academic year.

**Staffing Update:**

I am delighted to inform you that we recently appointed a new Deputy Headteacher who will take up her position in September. Mrs Watanabe will be our new Deputy Head and SENCo. Mrs Watanabe is currently a very successful SENCo at St John Vianney Catholic School and has previously supported our school in her role as Specialist SENCo teacher for the Trust. Our new Deputy Head will be non-class based for the first year which will enable the school to push forward in many areas of school improvement as well as ensuring that we continue to enhance our SEND provision.

We thank Mrs Morris for her hard work and dedication during her position as Acting Deputy Headteacher.

**Class Teachers for September:**

EYFS: Mrs Decube and Mrs Coatsworth (job share)

Year 1: Mrs Gregan

Year 2: Miss Milburn

Year 3: Miss Kay

Year 4: Mrs Morris

Year 5: Miss McNally

Year 6: Miss Scott

The children will be informed today and we hope to begin some gentle transition work to help to support a smooth transition for all. In July, we will have two whole school transition days whereby the children will spend two days working alongside their new class teacher and completing some transition activities in preparation for September.

**Uniform Reminder:**

Please ensure that children have the correct uniform in preparation for September.

* + Royal blue jumper \*, royal blue cardigan \* or royal blue sweatshirt **(with or without the school logo);**
  + Black or dark grey trousers; or black or dark grey skirt. Jeans, tracksuit bottoms and leggings are not considered suitable (leggings or tracksuit bottoms may be worn for PE – see below);
  + Short trousers (optional during the summer term);
  + Skirt length should be on or below the knee. The style of skirt should not hug the figure.
  + Blue / white, or yellow/white checked dresses (optional during the summer term);
  + Yellow or pale blue polo shirt \* **(with or without the school logo);**
  + All black school shoes or all black trainers. Heels are not considered suitable;
  + Socks / tights - white, black, grey or socks (dark socks with trousers); grey or black plain opaque tights.
  + An optional royal blue school book bag \* **(with or without the school logo).**

PE Kit

Pupils are expected to wear the following PE kit on their allocated PE day:-

* + Yellow t-shirt \* **(with or without the school logo)** or plain white t-shirt;
  + Dark (navy blue/black) shorts, dark navy / black plain tracksuit bottoms or plain navy blue / black sports leggings (without any "sports" branding or corporate logo) – short cycling shorts are not considered suitable;
  + Black plimsolls for indoors;
  + All black or white trainers for outdoors;
  + No football strips are to be worn for PE.
  + An optional royal blue PE bag \* for swimming kit or change of shoes **(with or without the school logo).**

**All items of uniform, footwear and PE / swimming kit should be clearly labelled with your child's name.**

No logos or branding (other than the school logo) should be displayed on any uniform.

All children are expected to take part in PE and swimming lessons, which should only be missed in exceptional circumstances with prior written permission of the parent.

Where to buy

The school takes into account cost and value for money when considering where parents may purchase items of school uniform which contain the school logo.

The items above which are marked with an asterisk (\*), which contain the school logo, can be purchased from [www.totstoteams.com/school:bedes-rc-primary-school](http://www.totstoteams.com/school:bedes-rc-primary-school)

The school engages with the uniform supplier, to ensure parents get value for money. Alternative suppliers shall be considered if there are concerns regarding the value for money and cost of items.

**Plain items without the school logo, (such as trousers, jumpers, skirts, t-shirts, PE kit etc) may be purchased from any major store or supermarket providing that they closely match the colour requirements listed above (further information can be found in our school Uniform Policy on our website)**

**The Governors request that each child has one jumper or cardigan with the school logo which can be worn for school visits to support safeguarding. Recycled logoed uniform items can be sources from school.**

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding any of this information

Kind regards

Mrs Young