



Welcome back to school to all our families



Staffing News

Sadly, during the Summer break Miss Wheeler, Year 4 teacher had a major operation. She remains unwell and is very disappointed not to be able to start the school year with her class. We wish her a steady and full recovery over the coming weeks. She hopes to visit for occasional days after half term and start full time teaching with us in January.

In the meantime, Year 4 will be pleased to know that Miss Zlotnick has not yet returned to Australia and is delighted to be available to teach her old class. Just as last year, Mrs Reith will be team teaching alongside her for the mornings and 2 afternoons. For tomorrow (Thursday) and Friday, Mrs Reith will teach Year 4 as Miss Zlotnick is in Canada!

School works

During the summer we have had the toilets refurbished in Year 1 and Year 2 as well as the Boys' and Girls' outside the Year 3 and 4 classrooms. (Photos next week once the 'snagging' are complete!)

Our sincere thanks go to the LDBS, our surveyors, Glenny, and to our own, Mr Gridley for their hard work whilst we were away. What with looking after the contractors, redecorating and making sure the whole school was scrupulously clean before the children started, Mrs Gridley has been working his socks off!



Do you think the school grounds are beautifully maintained? I'd like to thank Mrs Ring and Mrs O'Boyle for their incredible hard work. Thanks to all!

Welcome Service

Come along to the first Welcome Service of the year, next Wednesday 9th at 9am!

Start of term reminders

Friendly reminders to help the day run smoothly:



- All uniform and PE kit should be clearly labelled. This helps us to be sure that everything is returned to its rightful owner.
- Please send your child to school with their own headphones or ear phones for use with our iPads and laptops
- If your child is absent from school, email or call the office by 9.30am on the first day of absence, and send in a letter explaining the absence on their return to school. (48 hours clear, please from diarrhoea or vomiting)
- If your child has a medical appointment, please send Julie a copy of the letter prior to the appointment.
- Please ensure the school has your up to date contact details – if you have changed your telephone number or moved house, please let us know today!
- Data collected at the end of last year showed an increase in 'Late' attendance. This very worrying, especially when the reasons given were often 'parking'. As this is now tracked by Ofsted, please help us to make punctuality one of the strengths of Trent school.
- Children from Reception class, Year 1 and Year 2 have FREE SCHOOL MEALS, delicious, prepared and cooked on site. There is no change to School dinners for all KS2 children (Years 3 to 6).



Here to help...

Please don't hesitate to approach any member of staff with any concerns you may have. We are all here to help and want all pupils to feel safe at school and you to be secure in the fact that the children are happy in our care. If the Summer break saw a change in family circumstance (bereavement, for example) that you think may have an impact on your child, please let some-one know. We may be able to offer help and support.

You can be sure all matters are treated in the strictest confidence

Medicines in school

If your child is recovering from an illness, or has been prescribed a medicine to be used at school, please be sure to talk to Mrs Murray. You will need to mark the packet and bottle with your child's name and class, then, bring it in to sign a temporary 'Care Plan'. Never send a child to school with medicine of any sort in their bookbag, please. It could easily break or drop out and be collected by another child.

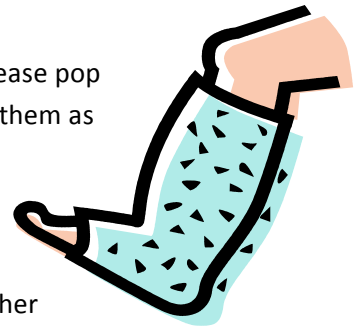


If your child has a temperature of 38°C please look after them at home – they are probably feeling rather poorly. If they develop a high temperature in school, we will contact you to collect them.



Wearing a plaster cast

If your child is unfortunate enough to have an accident and needs to wear a plaster cast, please pop into school BEFORE THEY RETURN TO SCHOOL to talk to us about how we can best care for them as they recover. Together we will write a risk assessment for the school day.



Running Late?

If you know you will be late to collect your child at 3.15pm or 4.15pm, please telephone the School Office to let us know. If you would like another parent to collect your child, please tell us so that we can make sure your child goes home with them.



If you would like to take advantage of the **new extended day provision** until 5.45pm please see the separate letter from Mrs O'Boyle. Called '**Tea Time Club**' children have food and play games safely at school.



Wet Play time is a regular feature of the Autumn term. Puzzle books (word searches, dot-to-dot, paper folding, Sudoku etc) and Colouring books are simple but enjoyable activities for break. It would be a good idea to pop one into your child's book bag for the term ahead.

As always I am readily available should you have any worries or questions on any matters concerning your child's education. Please do not hesitate to contact me via the school phone number (02084496875) or via the office email: office@trent.barnetmail.net , or approach me directly in the playground.

Wishing us all a good year ahead, with my best wishes,

Mrs L Yarwood