



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a new school year and a special 'hello' to all our new families joining us for the first time. I hope you have been made to feel welcome at our school, and had any questions or concerns fully answered.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM

The Friends of Ewell Grove will be holding a Second Hand Uniform Sale at the end of the school day on Tuesday 18th September - £1 per item.

YEAR GROUP MEETINGS

We will be holding Year Group meetings which enable parents to understand expectations for the year group, what the children are learning, and how you can help at home. In the past parents who have found child care for this meeting have found it easier to concentrate on what is being said. However, we do appreciate that some parents will have to bring younger siblings.

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| Morning Nursery | 9:00am Friday 28 th September |
| Afternoon Nursery | 2:30pm Friday 28 th September |
| Reception | 9:10am Friday 21 st September |
| Year 1 | 9:10am Thursday 27 th September |
| Year 2 | 9:10am Thursday 20 th September |
| Year 3 | 2:45pm Friday 21 st September |
| Year 4 | 2:45pm Thursday 20 th September |
| In order that we know numbers attending please email events@ewell-grove.surrey.sch.uk | |

HELPING HANDS CO-ORDINATORS MEETING

Thursday 27th September at 2:30 pm - further details will follow in a separate letter.

MORNING DROP OFF - KS2 (YEARS 3 AND 4 ONLY)

KS2 children ONLY can be dropped off from 8:45 am. Year 3 and 4 parents should take their child to the back door in the walkway at the right of the main building; where they will be met and registered by a member of staff.

PE - KS2 (YEARS 3 AND 4 ONLY)

Year 3 and 4 children will be having PE at the new sports facility in Old Schools Lane starting next week. It is essential that every child has a full PE kit which must include:

- a lightweight raincoat (Pac a Mac)
- a pair of trainers from the allowed list (**please see attached**)

WATER

Children are encouraged to bring in a **named** bottle of water which they will have access to throughout the day. *No other drinks are acceptable; this includes 'flavoured water'.* **Nursery** children do not need to bring in a bottle of water as they are provided with cups of water during the day.

Nursery & Reception - Please check you have received this letter via ParentMail. If not speak to the School Office to make sure we have the correct email address for you. **All further newsletters will only be sent out via ParentMail.**

SCHOOL MEALS

Aspens will continue to provide the packed lunch options until further notice. Thank you for your patience and understanding with this.

The packed lunches consist of a sandwich, piece of fruit, carrot batons and a biscuit. Below is the choice of sandwich that will be available each day:

Monday - Ham or Cheese

Tuesday - Ham or Egg

Wednesday - Cheese or Tuna

Thursday - Ham or Cheese

Friday – Vegetarian Pizza slice (cold)

As usual the children will be asked by their class teacher each morning whether they are having their own packed lunch or whether they are having a school packed lunch.

CHANGES TO GOLD BOOK & BIRTHDAY ASSEMBLIES

As the school grows and develops we will need to review/modify our traditions and events. In respect of this we have decided to modify our Gold Book and Birthday Assemblies.

Gold Book – each year group will have a Gold Book/Achievement Assembly once per half term where approximately 1/6 of the year group will celebrate success. The dates for this term are below (parents will be notified in advance if their child is involved):

Birthday Assembly (Year R, 1 and 2 only) – will be held once per half term for each year group. For this half term children who have birthdays in September and October will have these celebrating on the same day as the Gold Book Assembly dates below.

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| Year R | 9:10 am Thursday 11 th October |
| Year 1 | 9:10 am Tuesday 16 th October |
| Year 2 | 9:10 am Tuesday 9 th October |
| Year 3 | 9:10 am Thursday 4 th October |
| Year 4 | 9:10 am Tuesday 2 nd October |

Parents are welcome to attend their child's Assembly. Younger siblings are welcome to attend too, but we will ask you to take them out if they are causing disruption.

Please do not bring sweets or cake into school to share with your child's class on their birthday as the staff are unable to distribute these.

JEWELLERY

At Ewell Grove it is the policy that **no jewellery** can be worn by children during the school day (including earrings) and/or make up (including nail varnish); this applies to **ALL** year groups.