

Preparation List - Upper Key Stage 2 September 2021

- ✓ Name all items of uniform (sew-in names are the best.) Remember to repeat this as items of clothing are renewed!
- ✓ Prepare a P.E kit – white t-shirt, black shorts, black pumps (All items should be named!) Please ensure it is in school on the **first** day of each half term.
- ✓ Prepare a games kit for outdoors sports – trainers, dark blue or black tracksuit or tracksuit trousers and a sweatshirt. (No football shirts please!) Please ensure it is in school on the **first** day of each half term.
- ✓ Jewellery: except for small stud earrings and a watch, is **not** appropriate for school and should not be worn. Please note: Apple watches should **not** be worn for school. Rings, bracelets and necklaces should also not be worn for school. If you are planning to have your child's ears pierced, please do so at the beginning of the summer holidays, so that your child can join in P.E. Children are responsible for looking after their own property and will be asked to store earrings, watches and glasses in their own trays during P.E lessons.
- ✓ Make-up: Please ensure that your child does not wear make-up / nail polish for school and encourage them to maintain high standards in their appearance at all times.
- ✓ Hair: Long hair should always be tied back during PE and games lessons, using a simple bobble. (Children will be asked to remove hair bands, slides and novelty accessories for safety reasons).
- ✓ Stationery: Children should bring their own stationery. Please prepare **one** (appropriately-sized) pencil case containing: handwriting pens, pencils, eraser, pencil sharpener, ruler, glue stick and **some** colouring pencils and felts. (There is no need to bring scissors.) These need to be maintained and equipment replenished regularly.
- ✓ Bag: Encourage your child to prepare a school bag to hold reading books, planners and A4 sized homework folders. Please ensure that bags are not too big as there is limited space in the lockers.
- ✓ Use of mobile phones: we do not encourage the use of mobile phones in school, but should your child use one, it must be switched off and handed into the office at the beginning of the day and collected at the end of the day. If your child is attending an after-school club, phones need not be collected until the club has finished.
- ✓ Inhalers: If your child uses a preventative inhaler to treat asthma, they are encouraged to store and use this independently, so that they always have access to it. Please encourage your child to be responsible for replenishing inhalers if they have run out or are out of date. Your child must have their inhaler with them every day in school.
- ✓ Water bottles: Prepare a named water bottle for your child to bring to school every day.
- ✓ Lunches/Snacks: Please remember that we are a nut-free school. Therefore, we would ask you not to send lunches/snacks containing nuts. Please refrain from sending sweets as snacks too.
- ✓ Tying shoelaces: children wearing school shoes or trainers for games, with laces, need to be able to tie them independently.
- ✓ Art aprons: Please send an oversized old shirt/t-shirt for your child to wear for art activities.

- ✓ Start of the day arrangements: Please encourage your child to line up with their class in the morning, so that they can be brought into school safely and altogether. Unless there are specific circumstances, children should not be brought into classrooms by parents before 8:50am or stand/congregate anywhere other than the playground. Therefore, in the event of a fire, we know where all of the children are.
- ✓ End of the day arrangements: Upper Key Stage 2 children will be released from the external fire-door in their classroom. If children in Years 5 and 6 have younger siblings, they should walk around to the collection point of the younger sibling. Otherwise, children can be collected from the gate of your choice. If children cannot find the person, who is collecting them, they are asked to let their teacher know and to wait in the KS2 library. Should you be delayed in collecting your child, please call the office and we will ask your child to wait in the library, where they can be supervised until you arrive. Please ensure that you reinforce these arrangements at home.
- ✓ Absences/Medical Appointments: Absences/medical appointments should be reported to the school office. Please ring to leave a message for each day of absence.

In order to encourage independence in Years 5 and 6 and prepare them for secondary school, pupils are responsible for their own organisation on a daily basis. Therefore, we ask you to encourage your child to:

- ✓ Organise and maintain their own school equipment, so that they are prepared for all lessons
- ✓ Take all letters home and return reply slips punctually
- ✓ Complete and return all homework punctually
- ✓ Ensure parents and carers know when children are attending after-school activities
- ✓ Look after their own property
- ✓ Send any money in a named purse/wallet or envelope.