



September 2023 Newsletter

The children have made a fantastic start to the year and we are really happy that they have settled back into school so well. We are very proud of them! They all look really smart in their uniforms.

Thank you so much to you all for your punctuality in adjusting to the new earlier start times, the children are coming in bright & ready to learn, it is wonderful to see.

We are getting used to having to call Miss Ledger 'Mrs Campbell' having got married during the summer holidays. Mrs Campbell is obviously a very good keeper of secrets!



Thankfulness is our focus Christian value for this half term.

'The quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness.' We will be talking to the children about gratitude and that gratitude is when we express appreciation and thanks for the good things in our lives. We can be thankful for the things we receive, the people who surround us, and the fun things we get to experience and do.

Celebration Worship

Our first Celebration Worship of the new school year will be held at 2.30pm on Friday 29th September 2023. We would love to see you there.



Patrington Primary seeks to ensure that all its pupils receive a full-time education which maximises opportunities for each pupil to realise his/her true potential. The school will strive to provide a welcoming, caring environment, whereby each member of the school community feels wanted and secure. All school staff will work with pupils and their families to ensure each pupil attends school regularly and punctually.

Regular attendance at school is essential to ensure uninterrupted progress and to enable our children to extend their potential. We expect all children on roll to attend every day, when the school is in session, as long as they are fit and healthy enough to do so. We believe that the most important factor in promoting good attendance is the development of positive attitudes towards school and learning.

Poor attendance can seriously affect your child's:

- attainment in school
- relationships with other children and their ability to form a lasting friendship
- confidence to attempt new work and work alongside others

Doors open at 8.35am to allow plenty of time for children to get settled for the start of lessons at 8.45am. Children are often upset if they arrive late and this can impact how they feel for the day. We want to avoid this as much as possible.

There are 175 non-school days a year For enjoying family time, holidays, trips, visits, shopping, seeing friends, travelling and getting regular dental and optician checks

190 Days of education	184 days of education	180 days of education	175 days of education	171 days of education	161 days of education
100% attendance	97% attendance	95% attendance	92% attendance	90% attendance	85% attendance
No absences	6 days absence per year	10 days absence per year	15 days absence per year	19 days absence per year	29 days absence per year
EXCELLENT	GOOD	CAUSING CONCERN	CAUSING SERIOUS CONCERN		
		Absence may well be affecting attainment, progress and wellbeing.	Children will find it extremely difficult to keep up and achieve their best.		

Food in School

Allergies

We have a number of children in school who have severe allergies, particularly nuts. **PLEASE NOTE WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL** so no nuts, peanut butter or Nutella etc in school.



Packed lunches

Also, just a reminder that grapes and cherry tomatoes should be cut up if being sent in. We would also ask that cocktail sticks or skewers not be included in your child's lunch bag. Please also remember to pop in a teaspoon for any yoghurts.

Birthdays

We understand that some children like to bring in cakes, buns and sweets to celebrate their birthday and share with their classmates. Please could we ask that only items which are individually wrapped be sent into school.

Thank you.

Class Curriculum Evenings

It was wonderful to see so many of you come along to these information evenings. We hope you found them useful. We will be sharing the presentations from the evening shortly.

EYFS

As the children in EYFS are outside in all kinds of weather please make sure you send them with sun cream & hats and wellingtons & a waterproof coat each day. You may wish to leave these in school.



PUNCTUALITY MATTERS!

MINUTES LATE PER DAY DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR	EQUALS	APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF DAYS TEACHING LOST IN A YEAR
5 mins	EQUALS	3 days
10 mins		6 days
15 mins		9 days
20 mins		12 days
30 mins		18 days

School Games Award



We are delighted to announce that we have achieved the School Games Gold Mark Award for the 2022/23 academic year. The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme

launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward and recognise engagement (provision and uptake) in the School Games against a national benchmark and to celebrate keeping young people active, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success. We are delighted that the hard work of everyone at our school and in particular Mr Derbyshire, has been rewarded this year.

Uniform and PE Kit

With us being at the start of a brand new school year, the expectation is that all children are wearing the correct school uniform and the correct PE kit please.

School Uniform:

Blue or white shirt, blouse or polo shirt.

Royal blue jumper, sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece.

Grey or black trousers, shorts, knee length skirt or pinafore.

Black school shoes only.

A bookbag is also recommended

PE:

All children need to ensure that they have the appropriate kit in order to participate in P.E. The setting will vary and may be indoors or outdoors.

The PE Kit is:

Plain white T-shirt and plain black shorts during the warmer months.

In colder months: plain white T shirt with a plain navy or black hoodie and plain navy or black leggings or joggers (no brands/labels needed please)

Plain black or white trainers are needed for the field or the playground. (Again, no brands/labels required)

PE days are as follows:

EYFS - Thursday

Year 1 – Wednesday & Thursday

Year 2 – Monday & Wednesday

Year 3 – Monday & Tuesday

Year 4 – Monday & Friday

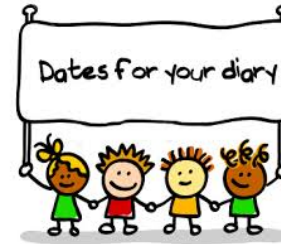
Year 5 – Tuesday & Wednesday

Year 6 – Monday & Wednesday

We would like the children to leave their PE kit in school all week please.

Flu Vaccinations

A letter will be going out to all parents via ParentHub regarding the annual nasal flu vaccination. There will be a link on there which you follow to give consent or otherwise. This will be available to all children in Reception to Year 6



Wed 27th Sept - Harvest Festival 9.30am - please join us at the church

Fri 29th Sept - Pupil photograph

2.30 pm Celebration Worship

Thurs 26th Oct - Flu vaccination

Fri 27th Oct - 2.30pm Celebration Worship

School Closes 3.15pm for Half Term

'And Jesus said to him, "If you can, all things are possible to those who believe,"
(Mark 9:23)

Through our journey of exploration, engagement and enrichment, we aim to be aspirational, building resilience and achieving together in God's love.
We are a caring Christian community, striving to be the best that we can be.

TRUST, FRIENDSHIP & PERSEVERANCE

Everyone belongs, everyone cares, everyone tries.