

Haydon Abbey School and Pre-School

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Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to the new school year! I hope you and your families had a restful and enjoyable summer break. We were excited to welcome the pupils back yesterday and look forward to a successful and engaging term ahead.

As we settle into our routines, I would like to remind everybody of some key guidelines to ensure the safety and smooth operation of our school.:

- **Please do not park on yellow lines** around the school, as this creates hazards for both pedestrians and vehicles. Please also be considerate of the local residents when parking
- If you do need to drive we suggest that you **please park safely at Sainsburys car park** and walk the short distance
- **Please do not use** the St Michael's School or Blueprint / PACE car parks, as these are private property. Following several recent complaints, we ask all families to park elsewhere
- **Parking in the staff car park is strictly prohibited** unless you have been given prior permission. This area is reserved for staff and must remain clear at all times
- We encourage you to consider walking or cycling to school when possible to help reduce traffic and keep our environment healthy.

Additionally, I am pleased to share the PE schedule for this half term:

PE Slots				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Reception	Year 1	Year 3 Year 6	Year 2	Year 1
Year 2	Year 3		Year 4	Year 5
Year 4EW - PE 4ES - Swimming (Swimming starts on Mon 14/9/24)			Year 5	Year 6

Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE uniform on these days.



School Uniform and costs

A quick note on uniform – we are so impressed with how smart all pupils look, and we appreciate your support in ensuring they are ready to learn each day. To help us return any lost items, please ensure all school uniform, coats, jackets, shoes and water bottles are **clearly named**. With the weather now turning colder, it is a **requirement** for all pupils to have a waterproof coat in school every day to ensure their comfort during outdoor playtime and lessons.

Please also be reminded of our uniform policy for health and safety reasons:-

- Only **stud earrings** are permitted, no other jewellery should be worn
- Shirts and polo tops **must be tucked in**
- **School shoes** must be worn unless it is a PE day
- **Natural Hair Colour** – not dyed

Attendance Reminder

We would also like to remind you of the importance of regular school attendance. Consistent attendance is vital to your child's success, both academically and socially. Missing school not only affects their learning but also their ability to form strong relationships with peers and teachers.

The government has recently issued new guidance on school attendance, emphasising that parents must ensure their children attend school regularly and punctually. All absences need to be explained and you must inform us of any planned absences in advance. Unauthorised absences from school can result in fines or further action.

We appreciate your cooperation in making sure your child is in school on time, every day, ready to learn.

If your child is unable to attend school please email pupilabsence@haydonabbey.bucks.sch.uk stating their name, class and reason for absence by 9:30am **each day of absence** or phone the school office **daily** until they return to school. Medical and dental appointments should be made outside of school hours, wherever possible, but if you do need to take your child out of school for an appointment please provide a copy of the appointment letter or screen shot the phone message and email it to the pupil absence email address above in advance of the appointment.

For our older children, can I please remind you that if you would like your child to walk home alone after school it is important that you inform the school office via email at Office@haydonabbey.bucks.sch.uk if you haven't already provided permission for this year.

School Dinners

School lunches must be pre-booked weekly via SchoolMoney. Reception, Year 1, Year 2, and FSM-eligible students can book up to a full half-term in advance. Please ensure you fully check out after placing items in your basket, as unfinalised orders will not be processed. You can verify your bookings anytime under the **History > Meal Selections** tab.

Important Safety Notice: We have students with severe nut allergies. Please do not bring nuts or any food containing nuts into the school.

Breakfast Club Provision Update

Please may we remind you of the latest changes to our Breakfast Club provision for Year 1 to Year 6 pupils. We now offer two morning options: a paid early session from 7:30am to 8:00am, which costs £3 (latest arrival time is 7:40am), followed by a free session from 8:00am to 8:30am (latest arrival time is 8:10am). All places must be booked at least one month in advance. To secure your child's spot for October, please complete your booking via SchoolMoney no later than Friday, 25 September.

Communication

The school office hours are 8am to 4.30pm – Monday to Thursday and 8am to 4pm. Whenever you email or call the school, please always include your child's name and class in order that we can deal with your queries efficiently.

Thank you for your continued support, and I look forward to another fantastic term!

Kind regards.

Miss Ferdinand
Headteacher