Longridge Primary School

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18th August, 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you have all had a wonderful summer with your family and friends and enjoyed the good weather that we have had. We have had a successful start to the new term and all the children have settled nicely back into school life. It was lovely to see all the children’s smiling faces again!

**School Uniform**

All children in the school should be wearing school uniform every day now. The children will be able to wear joggers or leggings on their P.E. days but they must be wearing our school uniform on top. On other school days, joggers are not permitted. We have second hand uniforms in the school so please get in touch with Mrs. Sneddon if you need anything.

**Indoor Shoes**

As our playground can get very muddy, it is essential that the children change their shoes when they come in from the playground. Can you please ensure that your child has a pair of indoor shoes. Again, we have a number of spare gym rubbers in the school if anyone requires a pair.

**Breakfast Club**

Breakfast club is open from 8.15 am each morning and is from P1- P7. If your child would like to attend, please speak to Mrs. Sneddon in the office. Can I remind you that children are not allowed to bring in their own breakfast items as breakfast is provided at the club.

**Playground**

Although COVID restrictions have now eased, we have decided that we will continue to only allow P1 and P2 parents into the playground in the morning and at home time. This has worked extremely well for the last two years and we have had positive feedback from many parents about this arrangement. Our pupil support workers will be in the playground from 8.45 am so please feel free to drop your children off from this time.

**Parent Council Meeting**

Our first parent council meeting will take place on Monday 5th September at 8pm in the school. This first meeting will involve a whistle-stop tour of the role and responsibilities of the Parent Council and what they can do to support a school. We will then hold our Parent Council AGM and elect new office bearers. It would be wonderful to see new parents come along to our Parent Council meetings this year. These meetings are extremely informal and always involve tea/coffee and chocolate biscuits!

**P.E. Timetable**

 Please see below P.E. days for each class.

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| **Class** | **Day****Session 1** | **Day****Session 2** |
| **P2/1** | Tuesday | Thursday |
| **P3/2** | Wednesday | Thursday |
| **P5/4** | Tuesday | Thursday |
| **P6/5** | Monday | Wednesday |
| **P7/6** | Monday | Tuesday |

**Smartwatches**

We have had a number of children using their smartwatches in school to contact their parents. This is not appropriate during the school day and the function to phone should be switched off on these devices until the end of the school day. If your child is feeling unwell in school, they need to tell their class teacher in the first instance. Your child’s class teacher will then decide if your child is too unwell to stay in school and will either telephone you themselves or ask Mrs. Sneddon to contact you.

**Communication with Parents**

Don’t forget to follow us on twitter @longridgeps to see some of the wonderful learning that happens at Longridge Primary School. We also share information through the school app for parents. The first step is to search for **schoolappforparents** in your app store and then download and select Longridge Primary School. If you have any problems, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours Sincerely,

Theresa McLaren

Head Teacher