

Padstow School Newsletter

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Welcome to a New Academic Year at Padstow School

Welcome back everyone and welcome to all the children and parents who have joined us this term. Here are a few useful tips and reminders to ease you into the new academic year.

The School Day

The school doors open at 8.50am. The playground is supervised for children from this time. Registration is at 9am followed by English at 9.05am. English lessons run until break at 10.30am. Times tables and spellings will be studied from 11.45am—12.00pm when we break for lunch until 1.00pm. We have 2 learning sessions in the afternoon. Infant children have a 15 minute break between the two. The school day draws to a close with assembly at 2.40pm. The school day ends at 3.15pm. If your child cannot attend school on any day, please inform us before 9.30am that morning by phone call or email.

School Uniform

The Padstow School uniform is:

- Maroon jumper, sweatshirt or cardigan
- Light blue shirt or blouse
- Dark grey trousers/shorts
- Dark grey skirt/pinafore
- Plain, black flat shoes: black trainers with no markings or other colours are acceptable
- **Long hair should be tied up**

The updated school uniform policy can be found [here](http://www.padstow.school.co.uk). Or by visiting www.padstow.school.co.uk. Click on the parents tab and then 'uniform'.

School Dinners at The Ship's Galley

School dinners are cooked in our own canteen, The Ship's Galley, by our wonderful head chef Jane Trestain along with her assistants Karen House and Cathy Barlow. Our menu has been devised with the help and support of local chefs, Adrian Oliver, Paul Dodd, Paul Ainsworth, Stefan Delourme and Nathan Outlaw. We have a Summer menu and a Winter menu. We will switch over to the Winter menu after the October half term.

School dinners are free for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. The cost for junior children is £2.20 per child, per day. Payment should be sent into school in a named envelope via your child.

Newsletters

Our school newsletter is emailed to parents every Thursday. It is also published on our website and the school Facebook page. You can find a wealth of information on our website: www.padstowschool.co.uk including school policies, the latest Ofsted report, copies of letters we have sent home and the current menu.

Diary Dates

September:

5th—Autumn term 1 begins

October:

12th—Harvest Festival

20th—School Closed

23rd–27th—Half Term

30th—School Closed

31st—Autumn term 2 begins

November:

1st– 3rd—Year 6 Residential Trip

8th—Our Girls Can

13th–17th—Anti Bullying Week

17th—Children in Need

20th–24th—Road Safety Week

December:

12th—Carol Concert at St Petroc's

13th—Christmas Fayre

20th—School closes for Christmas at 2pm

January 2018:

4th—Spring term 1 begins

February 2018:

6th—Safer Internet Day

12th–16th—Half Term

19th—Spring term 2 begins

March 2018:

1st—World Book Day

16th—Sport Relief

29th—School closes for Easter at 2pm

April 2018:

16th—Summer term 1 begins

30th—Strike Up

May 2018:

1st—School Closed: May Day

14th–18th—SATs Week

29th—Half Term

June 2018:

4th—Summer term 2 begins

July 2018:

2nd–6th—Year 6 Transition Week

18th Summer Fayre

20th—School closes for summer 2pm

Help us to become nit-free—please check your child's hair this weekend

Blanket Permission/Letters Home

Thank you to all of you who returned the blanket permission letter we sent home at the end of the summer term, if you have not yet completed a form for your child/ren please do so as soon as possible.

As we informed you all in the Summer Term, the majority of correspondence will now be done through the paperless system so please make sure we have a up to date email for you. This is especially important for those parents who have chosen 'partial' or 'no' blanket permission.

Open Afternoons with Mrs Whitford

Due to staffing changes and the appointment of our new Head of School, Mrs Kate Whitford, the Cheese & Wine evening Mr Hill planned for September 20th will be postponed indefinitely. We will however be holding two open afternoons to give you all the opportunity to come along and meet Mrs Whitford. The first will be held on Tuesday 12th September at 2.30pm and the second will be on Tuesday 26th September at 2.30pm. We will be finished in time for you to collect your children at the end of the school day. Come along and join us for tea, coffee and biscuits.

Welcome

We are very pleased to welcome Miss Kerry Ashley-Warren to the Padstow School Staff. Kerry has been appointed as a Teaching Assistant in Year 2.

Swimming

Year 6 will be swimming for the first half of the Autumn Term. Their first session will be next Tuesday (12th). A separate letter with more detail has been sent home today. Please complete and return by Monday 11th September.



After School Clubs

We are currently putting together a letter confirming the clubs we will be running through the autumn term. We will send this out to parents as soon as it has been completed.

Parking

A polite reminder to please park considerately in the school grounds. The children's safety must come first. Please do not park on the pedestrian crossing or around the roundabout. Parking is available at Tesco for pick up and drop off times. Thank you.



Y6 Girls football

As part of Padstow United Football Club, two of our local fathers, Les Barlow and Pete Dollard, are managing an Under 12s (years 6 & 7) girls football team this year. They will be running a

Free Training Session

on the school field on

Saturday 16th September

from 12.30-2.00pm

It is open to all girls in Year 6

If you have any questions or would like more information please call Les or Pete on the numbers below.

Les: 07783 946 572

Pete: 07846 390 654



Keyboard Lessons

Keyboard lessons start on Thursday 14th September for Grace Howells, Bethany Green, Elliott Morris, Bailey Trestain, William Kenley and Roxie George. Mr Watts is looking forward to seeing you all.

If your child is interested in having keyboard lessons please enquire at the school office.

Scooter Days: Mon: Year 3 | Tues: Year 4 | Weds: Infants | Thurs: Year 5 | Fri: Year 6