



06th January 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Assalaamu Alaikum / May Peace Be Upon You

I pray that you and your family are well and have enjoyed a restful winter break. 2024 is here, and I pray that this year brings you all health, happiness and success in your endeavours, Aameen.

As the new term approaches, I am writing to remind you of the of the continued arrangements for the term ahead, please read below:

School Opening and timings

School will re-open on Tuesday 9th January 2024, the school gates will be open at 8:00am with school officially starting at 8:15am. Breakfast club will be open as usual on Tuesday 9th January from 7:30am. Please note that our weekly school timings are as follows:

- Monday – school will start at 8:15am and finish at 3:25pm
- Tuesday – Friday, school will start at 8:15am and finish at 2:35pm

Attendance and Punctuality

Many of our pupils missed learning last term due to the sickness bug which couldn't be helped but many children, unfortunately missed out on achieving their 100% attendance for the term. This term, it is vital that all pupils aim for 100% attendance and attend school daily.

Please also note, the school is not allowed to authorise any trips abroad during term time unless there are exceptional (emergency) circumstances specifically for the child. A trip abroad during term time will cause considerable harm to their learning and may result in a penalty notice. Thank you for your support with this.

Snack time

All children have breaktime at 10:30am each day. During their break children are allowed to enjoy a healthy snack. All EYFS and Key Stage 1 children are provided with some fruit as their snack from school. They do not need to bring in snack from home.

Key Stage 2 children need to bring their own **fruit** snack from home each day. Parents of Key Stage 2 children are reminded to ensure that all children are sent to school with just a fruit snack, a healthy alternative such as cheese strings, cereal bars or yoghurt can be brought in on a Friday only.

No sweets, chocolates or crisps are allowed.

Uniform

Please ensure your child/ren are always sent to school in the correct uniform. In particular pupils:

- Must wear their full uniform at all times, including on the day when they have PE lessons.
- Must wear plain, black shoes at all times. Trainers are not permitted.
- Are not permitted to wear jewellery (this includes earrings) or smart watches.
- No rucksacks are allowed in school, children must use the official school bag for their books and have separate lunch bag if they are on packed lunches.



To support parents with the rising cost of living, we have also launched our second hand 'pre-loved' uniform scheme. For further information, please contact our admin team if you would like to purchase any items.

Enrichment Clubs

Enrichment club will re-start on Tuesday 9th January at 2:35-3:15pm. Each year group will deliver a variety of enrichments over the year such as Nasheeds, Art and crafts, STEM, Mad science, Drumming, Fitness, Cooking club etc.

Please note that we no longer run a Sibling's club, these children are now taking part in the afterschool enrichment clubs, for this reason these children will be dismissed at **3:00pm** from the hall. Any children who have siblings from TIGHS picking them up will be dismissed at **3:15pm** from the children's normal dismissal points.

Road Safety

Last term, a few parents took dangerous risks when collecting their children at the end of the school day. As a result, we are really worried that there will be a serious accident, causing harm to a pupil or a pedestrian in our community. At the end of the school day, please make it your practice to park in a safe place and collect your child from their dismissal point. Please ensure your child is walking close to you as they leave the school site.

- Please do not park on Meins Road, we have plenty of parking on the school car parks.
- If you are parking in the school grounds, please only park in the parking bays. There are many parking bays available.
- When parking, please do not block any other cars.
- Please drive slowly and carefully around the school estate. Please be very careful when turning into Preston New Road.

Reporting Queries or Concerns

If you have a query or a concern about your child's learning or welfare, please help us to resolve any concerns as quickly as possible for you by contacting the school's main office and ask for the correct person (as outlined below):

- For Year EYFS Mrs Mulla (Assistant Principal)
- Year 1 and Year 2 Miss Plummer (Assistant Principal)
- For Year 3 and 4 Mrs Riaz (Principal)
- For Year 5 and 6 Mr Adam (Assistant Principal)

Many thanks for your continued support and we look forward to seeing you and your children on Tuesday 9th January. Please continue to remember the school in your prayers.

Yours faithfully,



Mrs Smeena Riaz

Principal