

NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2020

Welcome back to a new academic year at Sunnyside Academy.
We are so pleased to see everyone back after such a long time apart!



Uniform:

The pupils look fantastic in their new uniforms. Thank you for your support. Please can you ensure that all of your child's clothing has their name in as we had a great deal of uniform that went "missing" last year. Please ensure that your child has a PE kit that remains in school as pupils may have opportunities to take part in sports activities in addition to PE slots. Their kit is important as the loaning of school kit is not encouraged during COVID restrictions. Their kit should include plimsolls or trainers. PE times for year groups are on the school website.

Breakfast Club & Magic Breakfast :

Breakfast club is available each morning from 8am. There is no need to book in advance. Pupils can be admitted each day through the main office area. Payment is £1.50 each day. This can be paid through Parent Pay or cash. It includes a range of cereals, porridge, yoghurts, toast, crumpets and different activities. Please note that hot food is served until 8.20am.

We will also be starting a new breakfast initiative funded by the DFE which will provide a toasted bagel each morning for every child in school. These will be delivered to each classroom at the start of the day.

Improving communication & partnerships with parents and carers:

Over the past few months it has been really difficult to work with you in the ways that we would have wanted to. Even on our return it will be difficult to hold large communal events due to social distancing restrictions.

We will try our very best to keep you up to date with any changes. **Parentpay** is our main means of communication.

We can send letters and information and you can make payments too for school dinners, uniform or trips. If you are not yet on **Parentpay** you can contact the office via email office@sunnyside.org.uk or 01642 596422

We also have a Facebook account and website for any other updates.

Important COVID reminders:

Following Government advice and research, your child will not be allowed to wear a facemask or facial covering inside school. The only exceptions to this will be that the child has medical evidence from a clinician that the wearing of a mask is necessary in a classroom environment to protect their health. Staff can wear masks in communal areas or when providing support that requires them to be in close contact with others. You must inform school if your child has any symptoms relating to COVID. You will be required to isolate and arrange a COVID test and report outcomes.

Please ensure social distancing at all times on the playground. If you need to speak to staff please keep a safe distance or make an appointment to speak to the relevant staff number. Our Parent Support Adviser (Karen Foulger) is also available each day to help with any concerns too.

Health & Safety

Just a reminder that we have a NO SMOKING policy on our school grounds. This includes all kinds of smoking, including vaping and E cigarettes.

We also do not allow dogs onto the school playground, unless it is a dog that supports a person's particular needs. The riding of bicycles and scooters on the playground areas is also not permitted.

PD Day - Friday 23rd October :

Just a reminder that school will be closed for a training day on Friday 23rd October. We will be undertaking training on our curriculum.

Dates for the diary:

17th September 2.30pm – Reception meeting for parents – small hall

24th September 2.30pm – Y2 meeting for parents – small hall

29th September 3.30pm – Y6 meeting for parents – large hall