



King's Hall School  
TAUNTON



# Pelican News



## Pre-Summer Term 2023

I do hope you have all enjoyed a relaxing Easter break and that your children are rested and ready to make the most of their final term in their current academic year groups. The summer term is always an exciting one with the prospect of warmer weather, playtimes on the field, opportunities to dive into the swimming pool, longer Forest School sessions and, of course, the Summer Show and Sports Day.

We welcome the following children to Pre-Prep this term who I am sure will soon feel settled and part of our family in no time.

Nursery 2: Maggie

Year 1: Rafe

Year 2: Olivia

### **Summer Uniform, Kits and Accessories**

All children should return to school in their summer uniform; a link to this can be found below. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 should wear their blazers and hats/caps to and from school each day.

<https://www.kings-taunton.co.uk/assets/uploads/pdf/nursery-and-pre-prep-uniform.pdf>

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 should have a named swimming kit (swimsuit, towel, flip-flops or equivalent, armbands/goggles if needed and **swimming hat for any child with long hair**) which can be left in school ready to make the most of any sunny afternoons. We also strongly recommend **all** children should have a rash vest as this protects them from direct sunlight and helps to keep them warm when exiting the pool.

All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 should bring their PE kits to school with them on the first day back.

**All children** should have a named sunhat in school (preferably legionnaire style) every day.

In the hope that the weather is its glorious best over the course of the term, I remind you that we do supply (and apply) sun cream for the children. However, if you wish to supply your own (named) bottle of sun cream please hand it to your child's class teacher as soon as is possible. **Please remember it is important to apply a generous dollop of sun cream to your child before school.**

## Hobbies

Thank you to everyone who managed to return their hobby forms before the end of last term. The lists are being compiled and, once the final forms have been returned, will be displayed on classroom notice boards. The full hobbies programme will commence on Monday 17 April.

Miss Verity, Principal of Mountway School of Dancing, would like parents of the children who take ballet lessons to be made aware of her updated website which includes details of correct uniform. [www.mountwaydancing.co.uk](http://www.mountwaydancing.co.uk)

***Year 2 Ballet/Speech & Drama: please note that if your child is in Year 2 and they do not wish to continue taking lessons in Year 3 you will need to give notice by the start of this term, otherwise it will be assumed your child will continue with lessons in Prep.***

## Termly Reminders

- Please make sure your child has their PE kit, fleece, waterproofs, welly boots and art overall in school and that it is all named and that anything which needs to be hung from a peg has a secure, large hanging loop sewn in. Please also check that all zips are in good working order.
- A reminder that Early Morning Club begins at 8.00am. If you arrive earlier, we cannot guarantee supervision of your child as we will still be preparing for the day. Please also encourage your child to be prompt in dropping off their things into their classrooms if arriving before 8.30am in order staff can make best use of this precious time in setting up for the day. Any child arriving before 8.30am should be taken to Early Morning Club or wait with their parents outside the classroom buildings.
- Another reminder that TT Club charges start at 4.30pm prompt (4.00pm on Wednesdays) and that any child not collected from their classroom by 4.25pm will be taken to the TT Club room.
- Please inform your child's class teacher if there are any changes to your child's dietary / medical requirements that we should be aware of.
- We are happy to celebrate the children's birthdays with a cake but must insist that it be shop bought to fulfil the school's Health and Safety policy.
- Long hair should be tied back in either a ponytail, bunches or plaits with **navy blue** clips and hair ties, including Forest School days.
- Forest School clothing must comprise of a thin long-sleeved top, a long-sleeved jumper/hoodie, long trousers, and normal school shoes. Dresses / skirts / shorts are not appropriate and any child wearing these items will be changed into their PE trousers.

## Diary Dates

19 April: Year 2 Photo (Winter Uniform to be worn to school and Forest School clothes brought in a named bag)

1 May: Public Holiday

2 May: Y2 Window of Learning, 2.00pm

5 May: **No TT Club**

8 May: Public Holiday

11 May: Year 1 trip to St Mary Magdalene Church

22 May: Year 2 Sports Afternoon with Year 3&4, 1.30pm / Year 1 Window of Learning, 2pm

23 May: Reception 'Stay and Play', 2.30pm

26 May: Half Term **No TT Club**

5 June: Term resumes

12 June: Shuffle-Up Afternoon / Welcome Afternoon

13 June: Informal Concert, 3.30pm, Arts Centre

15 June: Nursery Stay & Play, 2.30pm

16 June: **No TT Club**

22 June: 'Open' Ballet Lessons

23 June: Y2 Big Sleepover (6pm – 8am)

26 June: Country Dancing Display (for parents of children who take part in this hobby), 4pm, Woodard Room

28 June: Y2 Parents invited to Final Assembly, 2.45pm

29 June: Pre-Prep Summer Show and Sports, 10am – 12 noon **END OF TERM (including Nursery)**

30 June: Prize Day Crèche (for siblings of Prep children attending Prize Day)

### **Lunch Menu**

Week 1

We are looking forward to seeing you all next week.

Claire Luckhurst  
Head of Pre-Prep