# Wiston Primary School Newsletter August 2024



Welcome back to all staff, parents and pupils as we begin our new session. I hope you have had a lovely summer with time to recharge and relax. We are looking forward to an exciting year ahead. A special warm welcome to Melissa Kennedy who joins us on Tuesday and Wednesday.

#### **STAFFING 2024-2025**

Acting Head Teacher Mrs Forde
Principal Teacher Mr O'Donnell

Teaching Staff Miss Kennedy (Tues, Wed)
School Office Mrs Alcock (Team Leader)

School Support Assistant Mrs Littlejohn (Mon Tues Wed Thurs)

Cook/ Caretaker Mrs Wearden

## A few reminders for starting back:

- We have made the decision to begin using the ParentApp again, we have used this previously. As Mrs McGregor's phone has also gone into retirement, we felt this would be the easiest way to keep in touch with reminders etc. We will still be using Parents Portal for school admin and Twitter for our success stories. More information will follow when ParentApp is up and running.
- Please inform us of any changes to contact details throughout the year.
- Breakfast Club is available from 8.15 toast and Weetabix will be available. Toast will be available to all children from 8.45.
- If you have any uniform, you no longer need, please send in to the school office.
- We will have a mixture of PE lessons indoors and outside. Please send in a pair of black shorts for this. In addition, we ask for each child to have a pair of gym shoes to change into in class and a pair of wellies to stay in school for wet days. If your child cannot yet tie shoelaces, slip on or Velcro would be recommended. With our unpredictable weather, please ensure your child brings a waterproof jacket each day. Names should be on all items of clothing and footwear.
- Each child should bring a filled water bottle to school each day. As per SLC policy, these bottles should only be filled with water for use in the class.
- All children from Primary 1 to Primary 5 are entitled to free school meals. Please check your Parent Pay details are up to date and the account is in credit. The new lunch menu begins on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August, all children will be given a copy of the new menu for you to have at home.

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# **School Photographs**

The school photographer will visit the school on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December.

#### Homework

Information on homework will be issued in the coming weeks.

### **Dates for your diary:**

Rugby – Starts Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August for 3 weeks
Music Tuition (Ms O'Neil) – Starts Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August
New lunch menu – Starts Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August
Parent Open Evening – Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August
Parent Council AGM – Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September
Dogs Trust Visit – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September
September weekend – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> and Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September

Finally, if you have any concerns or question please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Laura Forde (Acting Head Teacher)

Parents Portal will be used for the majority of school admin work that needs sent home/