



Elmwood Junior School

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Welcome to 2022/2023 New Academic Year

School starts on Monday 5th September at 8:40am

Thursday 1st September

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope that you and your family have had a fantastic summer holiday. I am sure that your children are more than ready to return to Elmwood Juniors for the exciting start of a new academic year. Myself and all the staff are working hard getting ready for the new term and are expecting this year to be an amazing year for your child at Elmwood.

A few important reminders of what's new at Elmwood this Autumn;

1. Changes to the school opening and closing times

The start and finish times of the school day have changed so that we are in line with the government expectation to deliver a 32.5 hour week in school.

The school gates will open at 8:30 with children expected in class by 8:40. Children arriving after this time will be recorded as 'late' and must sign in at the school office.

School will now finish at 15:10 for collection and home time.

2. Meet the Teacher afternoons.

We will be giving you an opportunity to meet your child's new class teacher during the second week of term. These meetings will all start at 14:15 in the school hall with a short presentation from the Headteacher and Senior Leaders of the school. Followed by a chance to visit your children's classroom and meet your child's new class teacher.





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Dates are as follows at 14:15 in the school hall

Monday 12th September – Year 3

Tuesday 13th September – Year 4

Wednesday 14th September – Year 5

Thursday 15th September – Year 6

3. New Home School Diary Introduced

Starting this year, we are introducing a new Home School Diary to help improve communication between the school and class teachers. These diaries will have lots of practical information as well as provide an opportunity for you to deliver brief notes to class teachers, a place to record your child's home reading, spellings and any homework details. We hope that this initiative will help you as parents become more involved in your child's day to day education.

4. Uniform

We will be significantly raising the standards of the expectation to be in correct school uniform this year. It has not changed – however we expect all children to come to school with the correct uniform. Should you have any concerns about this please do not hesitate to contact us.

I personally look forward to greeting you all back to Elmwood for this new school year and look forward to greeting you at the school gate on Monday!

Kind regards

Mr Marston
Headteacher

