



# Archibald First School Summer Term Newsletter 2 June 2023

# Summer Fayre

We are looking forward to seeing you all at our Summer Fayre on Saturday 1st July between 12pm and 2pm!

#### **Book Deliveries**

There have been lots of deliveries to school recently including hundreds of new reading books to restock and enhance our home readers. Look out for them coming home.

## Hair

Please can **anyone** who has hair that is shoulder length or longer, please make sure that it is tied up for school and is off their face.

We have an increasingly number of children having longer hair and longer fringes but it means that they cannot see.

Hair also needs to be tied up for safety reasons when playing and taking part in school sports.

# Parent Governor Vacancies x 2



We will be hosting an election for the role of parent governor in the new academic year.

School welcomes and encourages applications for the position of parent governor from everyone. It is very important to us that our school community is represented on our Governing Body.

Did you know that no experience, education qualifications or specific backgrounds are required?

The only essential we ask for is parents who are dedicated to the role of being a parent governor and who are in a position to firmly commit to the regular meetings across the year held at 5.30-7.00pm (between 4-10 meetings) and to coming into school at least 3 times per year.

Please feel free to speak with any of our current governors to find out more about this role or come and chat to Mrs Turner and Mrs Mullick.

# Class Swaps

The children will find out which class they are moving into on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July. They will all come home with a 'My new teacher' certificate.

The whole school will then take part in our transition day on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July when they get to spend the day with their new teacher.

(Year 4 will spend the day with Miss Stewart and other staff in school - please can the Year 4 children all wear PE kit on Wednesday  $5^{th}$  July)

## Support@Archibaldfirstschool.co.uk

This is our new confidential email that only 3 staff members have access to. If you have a confidential issue that you would like to get in contact with us about, please email <a href="mailto:support@archibaldfirstschool.co.uk">support@archibaldfirstschool.co.uk</a> This could be financial concerns or queries, personal matters etc. We can then discretely look at these and either make contact with you or sign post to the best place / person.

## **School Office Times**

 Monday
 8.00am - 4.00pm

 Tuesday
 8.00am - 4.00pm

 Wednesday
 8.00am - 4.00pm

 Thursday
 8.00am - 4.00pm

 Friday
 8.00am - 3.30pm

The office closes for 30 minutes each day for a lunchbreak. This is scheduled for 12.45pm — 1.15pm but is dependent on many factors.

If you need to call into school, please do so in the times above. General enquiries can also be sent to <a href="mailto:office@archibaldfirstschool.co.uk">office@archibaldfirstschool.co.uk</a>

#### Financial Circumstances

If you have experienced a change in your income or are worried about your finances, we would really encourage you to get in touch with Mrs Turner or Mrs West.

There may be some additional support that you may be entitled to or we may be able to assist with some school costs.

As a school, we're here to help you through the process. Some assistance that might be available to you includes:

- > free school meals
- > welfare and debt advice
- > support for families with no recourse to public funds
- > grants or in-kind support.

If you ever find yourself in a position where you feel like you are struggling with the cost of attending school, please do contact us and we can work with you to address your concerns.

https://www.newcastle.gov.uk/services/schools-learning-and-childcare/help-school-and-learning-costs/apply-free-school-meals

Use this link to check about Free School Meals...

### School Visits and Lunches 2023-24

From September 2023 for any school trip, **ALL** children who have a school meal from Nursery to Year 4 will be provided with a school packed lunch.

Children in Nursery, Year 3 and Year 4 will be charged for these as a school meal. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will get these free a part of the Universal Infant Free School Meal offer.

Children who are normally packed lunch will need to provide their own packed lunch for the visit.

Thankfully, we are able to change the way we issue the Natasha Law forms. These will be sent out for completion once and then remain in place all year.

\*\*\*There will be a deadline to notify us if you do want a school packed lunch and wish to provide your own. If you do not let us know by this deadline, you will be charged for the school lunch irrespective if you provide your own as we will have placed an order for it. \*\*\*

#### **Dates**

## July 2023

- 01 Summer School Fayre Time 12 2
- 03 Year 1 Sports Day 1.30 pm
- 03 School Disco Reception and Year 1 3.30 pm 5 pm, Years 2-4 5.00pm 6.30pm
- 04 Reception Sports Day 9.30 am UPDATED DATE AND TIME
- 04 Year 2 Sports Day 1.30 pm
- 05 Family Flower Making Session 8-8.45 am Family Flower Making Workshop July 2023 (emailed 23.6.23)
- 05 Year 4 transition visit to Gosforth Junior Academy CANCELLED: PLEASE SEE EMAIL DIRECT

#### FROM GOSFORTH JUNIOR ACADEMY

- 05 In school transition and new starter visits
- 06 Nursery and School Ready Workshop 9-10 am
- 06 Year 2 to the Aquarium
- 06 Year 4 transition visit to Gosforth Junior Academy CONFIRMED
- 06 Year 3 Sports Day 1.30 pm
- 06 New starter visits
- 07 Year 4 Sports Day 9.15 am
- 07 Nursery 2 Sports Day 1.30 pm 2.30 pm UPDATED DATE AND TIME
- 10 Nursery 1 Sports Day 9.30 am 10.30 am UPDATED DATE AND TIME
- 10 Year 4 Celebration Day and Evening for the children (no parents) Change of Date
- 12 Wellbeing and Self Care Wednesday 9.30-11.30 am
- 12 Year 4 Leaver's Assembly 9.30am
- 14 ALL reading and library books to be returned
- 14 Post Adoption Lunch 12pm Post Adoption Family Lunch Summer 2 14.7.23
- 17 Wellness Week non-school uniform for all children (own PE kits not a school PE kit)
- 18-20 Uniform Swap Shops
- 21 School closes at 3.15pm for the summer break

We have started to populate our school diary for September 2023-July 2024. Please do take a look.