



Hague Bar Primary Welcome



Welcome to Hague Bar Primary School. We are so glad to be welcoming you and your child into our school. I normally have a 'one page' rule for parent letters, but this time I cannot avoid a lengthier piece. Please take the time to read all the information and highlight anything especially important for you.

Reception Dates for September

To aid your child's start to their new school, we have chosen to gradually introduce our new Reception children in the following way:

- Monday September 6th: 9.30am – 12 noon collection (no lunch)
- Tuesday September 7th: 9.30am – 12 noon collection (no lunch)
- Wednesday September 8th: 9.30am – 1.30pm collection (school lunch)
- Thursday September 9th: 9.30am – 1.30pm collection (school lunch)
- Friday September 10th: 9.30am – 1.30pm collection (school lunch)
- Monday September 13th: 9.30am – 1.30pm collection (school lunch)
- Tuesday September 14th: 9.30am – 3pm collection (school lunch)
- Wednesday September 15th onwards: 9am – 3pm collection (school lunch)
- All days from Thursday September 16th will be as per the rest of the school

Please come to the driveway gates for both entry and collection at the specified times; a member of staff will open the gates. You are welcome to come into the playground to say goodbye to your child. During this settling in period you may need/wish to enter the classroom; if this is so, please wear a mask and use the hand gel.

Class

Each child's class is their 'bubble'. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 class is called, 'Haddon'. Haddon's class-teacher is Miss Flynn and we have several Teaching Assistants who work with the children. To date, we have not had to close any bubbles.

CV19 Precautions

Haddon staff will guide the children to wash their hands regularly or use the hand gel. Currently bubbles are not mixing indoors however we are allowing, based on our Risk Assessment and current DfE Guidance, to hold whole school assemblies and certain other outdoor activities. If a child/household member tests positive for CV19 then school must be told and the child/family will need to follow the isolation procedure at home. The relevant bubble will be sent the current procedure to follow after being in contact with a positive CV19 case. If a child shows CV19 symptoms whilst at school, parents will be contacted and directed to collect their child urgently. If a child has CV19 symptoms at home please arrange for a CV19 test and do not bring this child (or a sibling) to school until a negative result is gained/completed isolation period. All the above procedures may be updated depending on National Guidance.

School Dinners

These are automatically free for every child from Reception to the end of Year 2. If applicable, please complete an allergy/intolerance form enclosed to tell the catering team about your child's needs so specific menus can be created.

Milk

Free milk will be given to your child until their 5th birthday. If you do not wish your child to have milk please inform Mrs Wagstaff and Miss Flynn. If you would like your child to have milk in school after their 5th birthday, then this will need to be paid for via the Cool Milk website and is currently 30p (apx per day).

ParentPay

This is the method by which most school items are paid for by parents. An introduction letter is included in this pack and a further letter will be issued for you to register. Although you will not need ParentPay for school dinners at the moment, we encourage you register when you get this so are you able to use the Breakfast Club and make payments for future school trips.



ClassDojo

Teachers use ClassDojo to communicate with parents when a letter is not necessary. This app also allows photos of classroom activities to be shared with you. Miss Flynn will send more details in September.

Snacks

A fruit/vegetable snack will be provided for all children in Haddon class daily. You may provide another healthy snack to be eaten in the afternoon if you wish.

Suggestions: fruit, vegetables, cheese, crackers, malt-loaf, bread sticks, raisins etc. No chocolate or sweets should be sent. We are a nut free school due to both child and staff allergies.

Reading

Once phonic work and reading books begin being sent home (please do not expect this in the first week) Miss Flynn will send a detailed explanation about our systems.

Uniform

We adopted a relaxed uniform policy during CV19 which has been very popular and practical. Children wear a white t-shirt, red jumper and black joggers/leggings/shorts/skirt with black (non-branded) trainers/trainer style shoes. We currently are not getting the children changed for PE to reduce the fabric within school, so it is essential footwear is warm, well-fitting and suitable for activity. Examples:



We do not insist on motif jumper/cardigan. If you wish to purchase one though, these are available at Headmasters shop in New Mills. Alternatively, we are equally happy with a supermarket plain red jumper/cardigan. Please invest in a permanent marker or iron on tags and name your child's clothing immediately. Thank you.

Coat

A suitably warm and waterproof coat bought in September will be a good investment for the winter (this can be a sudden arrival) as the children will play outside whatever the weather. When snowy, children will also need: gloves, hats and scarves.

Breakfast Club

This is a school run club every morning in our hall from 7.30am to the start of the school day. Mrs Prophet is the Breakfast Club leader. You do not need to book. The cost is £3.50 per morning with cereal/toast/drink provided. This can only be paid via ParentPay. However, if your child qualifies for Pupil Premium this provision is free. A leaflet is provided in this pack. Reception children may begin from Monday September 20th after their induction period.

After School Club/s

Mrs McLean (who is also a mid-day/TA/Breakfast Club host) runs a private paid daily club called 'Stay & Play' from 3.15 to 5pm. A leaflet is provided in this pack. This is run on site in the hall and/or playground. Other after school clubs may be available in due course such as Forest School which is very popular.

Forest School

This is a school funded daytime activity which helps the children develop in many ways but particularly: socially and emotionally. It is run by Being Outdoors. Some children may be allocated extra Forest School time in a smaller group if we identify this will be beneficial. Please put to one side a kit for forest school. Depending on the weather this may need to include: over-trousers (waterproof or ski type) a coat you do not mind getting muddy plus hat and gloves.

Forms

Thank you for completing the Office Forms online but if these are still to be done please complete as soon as possible as we need the information to register your child onto our computer systems. An email was sent on May 4th but I can resend this if it has gone astray.

Summer

All the Hague Bar Team wish you a lovely summer and we look forward to greeting you and your child on September 6th. If you have any questions in the meantime, please phone or email the office on: 01663 762203 info@haguebar.derbyshire.sch.uk.

Kind regards



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