

# Saint Nathaniel's Academy

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#### **Welcome Back**

Welcome back everyone; I hope you have had a wonderful summer. The children have been telling us all about it. The children have made a positive start and they look extremely smart in their new school uniforms. Well done children.

# <u>Safeguarding</u>

We take safeguarding very seriously here at Saint Nathaniel's. All of our staff are safeguarding trained and your children are very important to us. If you have any concerns please come and see us. We have an open door policy and we are here to support you and your family.

# **Parent Communication Box**

We would like to remind you that we have a 'Parent Communication Box' in the main reception area (it is a locked white post box). Confidential messages can be left in here for Mrs Robinson.

#### **Knowledge Organisers**

We have made positive changes to our curriculum. We are focusing on improving all children's knowledge and long-term memory of individual subjects and topics. Your child will be given a knowledge organiser. This will contain key information on what they will be studying that half term. We encourage you to look at this with your child. You may want to carry out some research with your child. This will then give your child a head start before a topic has begun. Please keep these knowledge organisers safe because the teacher will be referring to them during the term.

# **Absences**

Please inform the school office as soon as possible if your child is not going to be in school. Please book appointments out of school time whenever possible. Please remember that booking school holidays within school time will result in a fine. This is £60 per child and per adult. Please see policy on the school website for further details. This year's term dates are on the back of this letter.

# Learn To Play An Instrument

Please see the school office if your child would like to learn how to play an instrument.

Recorders £20 per term

Guitar £20 per term

Piano £25 per term.

#### **Careers**

The Local Authority have selected our school to work towards achieving a National Careers Award. This is the first time primary schools have been selected for this award. We will be talking to and sharing experiences with the children. We would like to encourage all children to aspire for their futures. Some children will visit different employers and take part in enterprise activities. Visitors will be coming into the school to talk about their jobs.

#### **After School Clubs**

New Clubs will commence Monday 16th September.Letters for the new clubs will be sent out next week.

## **Boot Camp**

Please join us on a Monday and Thursday morning at 8.30am for our boot camp session. Children and parents are all welcome to join in.

#### School Uniform

Thank you – your children look very smart indeed. Please make sure that you write your child's names in all items of clothing and check this regularly as names soon fade if handwritten.

Hairstyles – Please think about the styles your children are requesting. We do not allow children to have designs put in their hair.

## PE Kit

Please ensure that your child has a full PE kit in school by Monday morning. Please label all items.

## **Attendance**

Attendance is so important to children's learning and we like to reward children for excellent attendance.

Attendance improved last year, so well done everyone.

Children with 100% attendance, by the end of the term, will be rewarded with a game of Bingo with lots of prizes.

We will also be giving out a prize for the class with the best attendance.

Please ensure that your child is not late in the morning. This impacts on their learning and other children's learning as they enter the classroom late.

# Breakfast Club

A reminder that breakfast club opens at 7:30am and last entry is at 8:20am. £1.20p for one child and 80p for further siblings.

# **Farm Fresh Dates**

20<sup>th</sup> September 4<sup>th</sup> October 18<sup>th</sup> October 8<sup>th</sup> November 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov 6<sup>th</sup> Dec





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