



The Ryde School, Pleasant Rise, Hatfield, Hertfordshire AL9 5DR

The Ryde School Newsletter

Friday 20th July 2018

Arrangements for September

The children will return to school on Tuesday 4th September.

As usual, the school provides all the equipment your child needs for the classroom: pens, pencils, rulers etc. Therefore your child will not need to bring any classroom equipment to school.

We would ask that your child has a school book bag for their reading books, any homework and letters home. The book bags fit in the classroom storage units and are easily accessible for the children. This is the only bag your child needs to bring to school. We have no storage space for large bags such as a ruck sacks. Book bags are £2:50 from the school office.

We hope that you all have a relaxing break and your children return to school rested and ready to learn.

School Uniform

I am pleased to inform you that The Ryde is in the process of signing a contract with Smarty Uniform Shop in Hatfield. We have agreed that they can sell our logoed uniform and may stock all other uniform requirements. However, I would like to make it clear that **the only uniform that is required to have a logo are white and blue polo shirts, school sweatshirts and cardigans**. Everything else can be purchased from any shop. Smartys will also sell PE bags with the school name on. I have asked them to stop selling book bags as they are not the schools recommended one. These books bags do not fit in the school storage system, they are not durable and are expensive. We have better quality book bags for sale in school for £2:50.

Calendar Dates

September 3rd – INSET Day
September 4th – Children Back to School
September 12th – PTA AGM 7:30p.m.
September 17th – Parent Council 9:00a.m.
September 26th – Y3 Celtic Harmony
September 28th – Y6 Bletchley Park
October 1st – Occasional Day-school closed
October 6th – Apple Day
October 16th - Y4 Living History
October 19th – Y6 Joy of Reading
October 29th – November 2nd – Half Term
November 5th – Inset Day – School Closed
November 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th - Y5 Onslow computing workshops
November 12th – School photographer
November 28th – Image Theatre visiting
December 20th – Pantomime – Aladdin
December 21st – Last day of term
2p.m. finish
January 7th – Inset Day –school closed
January 8th – Children back to school

Attendance Update

Our attendance is now 95.0 %, which is lower than in May. This is due to some families taking unauthorised days off and holidays during term time. This has a significant impact on our data. Our attendance figure is too low and is priority for improvement next year.

Sports Day

Thank you very much to all the parents and families that came to Sports Day, and for the positive feedback. The house points were:

Birch	645
Oak	703
Chestnut	717
Willow	720
Maple	757

MSA Jobs/Volunteers

We have two vacancies for Midday Supervisory Assistants. If you, or someone you know, would like to apply please contact the school office. We do employ MSAs on a part time basis too.

We have been fortunate to have volunteers this year who have worked in various ways. Some have heard children read, others have been helping to decorate and organise our libraries, some have accompanied on schooltrips. Please contact the school office if you would like to volunteer some of your time.