

Little Hill Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer

I hope that you have all had a good summer holiday. The team and I are very much looking forward to welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday 29th August at 8.35am.

School Opening Times

Following my letter at the end of term, I want to remind you of the change of times at the start of the school day.

At Little Hill, we will be starting our school day at 08.45 am. <u>The school gates will open at 8.35 am and will close at 8.45 am</u>. The school finish time will remain the same at 3.15 pm. I want to stress the importance of punctuality at this point. It is vital that all pupils arrive before the gate closes.

The toast station will be open at 8.35am on Tuesday 29th August, the first day of term.

School Building Works

I am delighted to share with you that Little Hill has been successful in securing a Conditions Improvement Fund Grant (CIF) from the Department of Education. We have secured close to 1.6 million pounds for a brand new school roof and to improve our building in terms of fire risk.

This summer, we have had major building works carried out for fire risk whereby the internal doors and frames have been replaced, the ceilings have been compartmentalised and internal glazing has been replaced with new glazing. The majority of this work is now complete; however, a small amount will be completed over October half term.

Scaffolding has been put up around the entire building in readiness for roofing work to start on Tuesday. The roof work is due to be completed in March 2024. We have been advised that there will be little disruption to the children and school during this time as all work will be external. I will, of course, monitor this closely.

When collecting your child, you will need to continue to use **the one-way system**. Please be mindful of the reduced playground and path spaces and be considerate of one another. I will be explaining this to the children during an assembly on Tuesday.

Car Park and School Gates

Due to the building works, the school gates will kept closed from 09.30 am to 2.30 pm. If you are coming to the school during the school day, you will need to find street parking as you will not be able to access the car park.



Uniform Reminder

School uniform plays a key role in promoting pride, self-confidence and a feeling of belonging. These factors contribute to wellbeing, removing the additional pressures of deciding what to wear and the added stress of meeting the expectations of their peers. A uniform is central to schools building a sense of community among children, staff and parents as well as the local community.

Please see the information below when purchasing school uniform.

What are the school expectations?

Children should wear the correct items and colours stated below.

- White shirt, blouse, polo or red polo shirt with grey trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore.
 Grey or black tights are optional. A red and white checked cotton dress is acceptable to wear when the weather is warm.
- Bright red sweatshirt, cardigan, jumper or school fleece.
- Sensible, flat, black shoes or trainers (no coloured logo must be fully black).
 Black ankle boots are acceptable during the winter months.

PE Uniform

Indoor kit: black shorts/black leggings, plain black t shirt and black trainers (or plimsolls).

Outdoor kit: plain black jogging/tracksuit bottoms/leggings, a plain black t shirt, plain black jumper and black trainers.

You can purchase uniform with the school's logo on through Trinity School Wear either direct at www.trinityschoolwear.co.uk or via the school office.

It is essential that all items of clothing, including P.E. kit are clearly marked with your child's name, please.

Have a great bank holiday weekend and I look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday.

Yours sincerely

Vina Pankhania Headteacher