



# Nunnery Wood Primary School



## Newsletter

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2026

An extremely warm welcome back to the Summer Term. This half-term is very short and will undoubtedly be very busy.

As the weather continues to be unsettled, please ensure that your child/children bring an appropriately sized water bottle (no bigger than 500ml please), as well as a light coat to school.



### **YOUR SCHOOL NEEDS YOU! ASPIRE TO BE ASSEMBLY**

A big thank you to the parents who have supported us by leading an Aspire to be Assembly. The children have enjoyed finding out about different careers.

We want to continue to inspire children by inviting parents in to share what they did to become a (doctor for example), what subjects they enjoyed, qualifications are required and what it is like to be (a hairdresser). We know amongst our

school community we have plumbers, doctors, scientists, taxi drivers, hairdressers, beauticians, gardeners, carers, nurses, computer analysts, retail assistants.... the list is endless. If you are interested in supporting us and are willing to talk to the children, please contact the school office. The assembly will last no longer than 20 minutes and either myself or Mrs Wheeler will help facilitate the assembly. We are flexible with days – Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday as we appreciate parents have work commitments. Please contact a member of school team if you are willing to help us. We look forward to hearing from you.

### **ANNUAL REMINDER CLASSES FOR SEPTEMBER 2026**

We are beginning to consider new classes for **September 2026**. This year we will regroup children in Early Years (Oak and Willow), in Year 2 (Apple and Aspen) and in Year 4 (Lime and Lilac). For parents new to the school, this process happens annually.

We recognise that mixing the classes may cause some unrest for a few children who will be supported; however, it is important for children to develop resilience in facing challenges and doing this in a safe and supportive school environment is more ideal. Throughout their lives, children will have to be in situations which are out of their comfort zones and work with people that they do not know, hence this reshuffle works as an excellent preparation technique. By regrouping the classes, it widens the group of individuals that children are used to working with, which increases children's opportunities for social interaction.

As you are aware, there is a Year group Team where the year groups work closely together throughout the academic year. The children will continue to have their playtimes/lunchtimes within their year group. We would like to reassure you that, when deciding upon the mix, the school will consider individual children's needs, we will always strive to ensure that children feel comfortable and safe, to ensure that there are familiar faces in their new class.

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For your reference, the classes will be mixed from the start of the next academic year (**September 2026**). Parents will be informed of the classes in mid-June.



## SCHOOL UNIFORM

The vast majority of children have returned to school looking smart and equipped for school life. Please can we remind all children and families that the correct school uniform should be worn throughout the school year.

As the weather turns warmer children do not need to wear jumpers and can wear summer dresses or shorts.

**School shoes and footwear in line with our uniform policy should be worn at all times.**

- Shoes must be black with full foot covering.
- Trainers and sandals are not in line with policy; children will be asked to change footwear if they arrive at school wearing these items.

## FOREST SCHOOL UPDATE:

We are delighted to inform you that the necessary work in our woodland area was completed over the Easter holidays, and the Forest School timetable will begin next week.

You will be advised by your child's class teacher when children are required to bring their Forest School kit into school. Thank you for your patience.

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

We understand that children may occasionally be absent due to illness, and we appreciate parents informing us promptly in these situations.

We would like to remind families that although term-time holidays are not authorised, it is still essential that the school is informed of any absence. As part of our safeguarding responsibilities, we must always be able to account for the whereabouts and safety of all our pupils.

Thank you for your co-operation and for working with us to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our children.

Summer Term dates for your diary accompany this newsletter.

For reference, we are still waiting for the Trust to confirm the final inset dates for the next academic year (2026-2027). As soon as all dates have been agreed upon for the remaining academic year, we will send the calendar out. However, we can confirm the following Autumn term dates with you below:

### September 2026:

- Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> & Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September: Inset Days, school closed to pupils
- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – School reopens for Autumn Term

### October 2026:

- Monday 26<sup>th</sup> to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> – Half Term

### December 2026:

- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> – Last day of Term

Thank you for your continued support

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