

Autumn Term 2025

September Newsletter



Welcome to the start of a new school year!

A huge welcome to our new families starting their school journey with us.

We hope you have all had a wonderful summer break and the children are all ready and eager to start a new school year. Hopefully you will notice the installation of the new taller gates at the entrance to the playground. We have also had new gates installed on the field to replace the low gate that was previously in place, enhancing our security measures.

A member of teaching staff will be on the gates every morning, so please feel free to catch them if you need to discuss anything or alternatively catch them at the end of the day.

Monday – Mrs Milnthorpe / Ms Cawston

Tuesday – Mrs Butterfield

Wednesday Mrs Milnthorpe

Thursday – Miss Britchford

Friday – Mrs Milnthorpe

Staffing

We extend a warm welcome to our new member of staff this term, Mrs Vicky Butterfield who will be the new class teacher in Magdalene Class. We welcome her to our team and our wonderful school community.

As part of the new Early Years framework, new legislation comes into place in September 2025. The majority of what is being enforced is already in place in our school. All staff in our school are Paediatric first aid trained as well as completing First aid at work and for our Forest school leaders, a forest school first aid qualification is also in place.

Children in pre-school may only be offered water or milk as providers will need to follow new nutrition guidance (unless there's a good reason not to) which emphasizes healthy, balanced, and nutritious meals, snacks, and drink.

As part of this legislation Paediatric first aid trained staff must have eyes on the younger children when eating due to choking hazards. Therefore, at breaktime to ensure this is manageable we will be asking **all** children to sit and eat their snack (if they have one) before playing. Please can we emphasize that this should be a healthy snack if provided from home. Fruit is available for reception and Keys stage one children. At lunchtime all Pre-school children and reception will be positioned so an adult has eye contact with each one of them.

For Pre-school parents our school absence policy will be in place and we ask that the same protocols are followed for pre-school children as our school pupils. An attendance letter has been included with this newsletter which relates to if a child is unable to attend a pre-school session. The expectation is that parents will inform the Pre-school/ School by 9am on each day of absence.



Forest school/ Outdoor learning sessions

*Sessions will begin week beginning **22nd September** for all classes.*

Monday – Marriott Class

Tuesday – Moreton Class / Pre-school

Friday – Magdalene Class

Please ensure children have their full kit and appropriate clothing for the weather conditions on their forest school day.

PE / Dance

PE sessions will normally take place on Wednesdays and Dance on Thursdays, However for the first 3 weeks of this term due to differing reasons it will be as follows .

Moreton Class : Wednesday 3rd & Thursday 4th September

Tuesday 9th, Wednesday 10th , Thursday 11th September

Tuesday 16th, Wednesday 17th & Thursday 18th September

Marriott Class: Wednesday 3rd & Thursday 4th September

Monday 8th, Wednesday 10th & Thursday 11th September

Monday 15th, Wednesday 17th & Thursday 18th September

Magdalene Class: Wednesday 3rd & Thursday 4th September

Wednesday 10th, Thursday 11th & Friday 12th September

Wednesday 17th , Thursday 18th & Friday 19th September



Please ensure children have the correct PE Kit in school for these sessions. A reminder that PE kit is black shorts or jogging bottoms and a red T-shirt and sweatshirt. Children must have a change of shoes for PE.

School uniform

Please ensure children wear the correct school uniform of black or grey trousers/ skirts/ pinafore, white or red polo shirts or shirts and a red cardigan or sweatshirt, **Plain black** school shoes or trainers. Please refrain from permitting the children from wearing dangling hair accessories as these could get caught whilst playing. Long hair should be tied up. One pair of studded earrings are permitted but must be removed for PE and dance. If your child is unable to remove their earrings for PE please do this for them before they come into school. A reminder to name all items of clothing so we can return to the right child when lost.

Asthma inhalers

Please ensure that if your child has asthma or an inhaler prescribed by the doctor that the inhalers are in school with an original label on, a spacer is provided and you have completed an up to date asthma form.

After school clubs

These are available for booking from Wednesday 3rd – 10th September on the MCAS app. There are limits to numbers attending so please ensure you book.

Monday- Games Club R – Year 6 (Booster for Year 6)

Tuesday – Choir – Y2 -Y6 Lego R-Y2

Wednesday- Darts -Y5 and Y6 Sports Y3-Y6

Thursday - Dance and drama R-Y6

New Reception Parents

Ms Cawston will be leading a session about SoundsWrite (Our phonics program) that will help you to support your child with reading and writing and give you an understanding of how this is taught. This session will be held on Wednesday 17th September 8:45am -9:45am. Please come and join us.

Parents of Year 6 children

Booster sessions to prepare children for their SATS will be held on Mondays from 3-4pm (starting on 15th September) We would like all Year 6 children to attend as this gives them time as a smaller group to work with Mrs Butterfield and build their confidence and knowledge. On Monday 15th September Mrs Butterfield will be inviting parents of Year 6 children to join them for their first session so she can explain what SATS are, what happens, the expectations and how you as parents can support your child.

Reception children starting in September 2026

If you have a child due to start in their reception year in September 2026 or know of anyone that would like to come and look at our school, please share that we will be offering an open afternoon/ evening on Thursday 18th September from 2pm- 6:30pm where you can come and look round the school, meet staff and ask any questions before applying for their place from October 2025 – January 2026 via Cambridgeshire admissions portal.

Keeping you up to date

Each month along with newsletter we will send out a termly diary dates list each term (which may be subject to change) as well as information on safeguarding and attendance. The board located at the entrance will be updated on a weekly basis and regular emails are sent. We will continue to post on our Facebook page and X. Please follow us on these so you don't miss any important information. Also our school website is packed full with information about all aspects of school life and the curriculum.

