



TUSHINGHAM with GRINDLEY C E PRIMARY SCHOOL
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*1 John 4:7 Let us love one another, for love is from God.
Learning together and worshipping together*

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Dear Parents,

I hope you had a lovely summer break with your children and are all fit and well. It has been wonderful to see our children return to school with their usual boundless energy and enthusiasm – they have brought the school back to life!

Thank you for your understanding and respect of the extra measures we have put in place to help limit the spread of Coronavirus. Please continue to support school by taking the following actions;

~ Extra care is needed when leaving the A41 and driving on the road outside school. Our youngest children in Class 1 now enter and leave school through the staff car park area. Staff now park opposite school to allow this. Please drive very slowly past school and park safely. Parents and carers are respectfully asked not to stop their cars on the zigzag lines outside school and also to consider our neighbours, ensuring entrances to properties are kept clear at all times. Thank you for helping to keep our children safe and for considering our neighbours.

~ Please ensure children, including pre-school siblings, use the toilet at home before leaving for school in the morning and before coming to collect children at the end of the day. Our school children are reminded to use the toilets before leaving school; our children and their families cannot come back into school at the end of the day to use the toilets or come into school before school starts. Our toilets can only be used by staff and children in school. Thank you for your understanding.

Tushingham Toddlers

Unfortunately, we are unable to allow Tushingham Toddlers to meet in our school hall at present. We hope to see Tushingham Toddlers up and running as soon as possible.

PE days and PE kit

Steve Reddy (known as PE Steve to staff and children) returns to Tushingham next Wednesday to lead PE sessions with each class. Class 1 children will have their PE kit in school and will change in school for PE as this is part of the Early Years curriculum (Managing Self). Class 2, 3 and 4 will not change for



PE in school – they will need to arrive in PE kit on their PE days and stay in their kit for the remainder of the day. PE for Class 2, 3 and 4 will be outside unless the weather absolutely prevents this. Children need to be prepared to do PE outside so will need a warm, dark tracksuit and trainers.

Class 2's PE days are Monday and Wednesday

Class 3 and Class 4 have PE on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Claim additional funding for your child's school

As you are probably aware, all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are automatically eligible for Universal Free School Meals. However, some children may be eligible to receive Pupil Premium Free School Meals as an alternative. We are asking parents and guardians whose income would entitle them to Pupil Premium to contact Cheshire West and Cheshire to make an application.

Pupil Premium is government funding given to your child's school to spend on resources such as one to one tutoring, music lessons, extra curricular clubs and school trips. From April 2020 the rate increased to **£1345 per primary aged pupil** and is based on children registered for a free school meal, hence the need for your application.

Your child may be entitled to receive Pupil Premium Free School Meals if you are entitled to receive one of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income that does not exceed £16,190.
- Universal Credit

If you think you may be entitled to Pupil Premium, please contact Cheshire West and Cheshire on 0300 123 7039 to make your application over the telephone or alternatively apply online by using the link below.

<https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/education-and-learning/school-meals.aspx>

If you have any questions or need further guidance, please send an email to Mrs Williams in the school office admin@tushingham.cheshire.sch.uk .

Kind regards,

Mrs Shephard,
Executive Headteacher.

