

Newsletter



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The New Beacon View

It has been a busy start for me as the Executive Head Teacher of the school. I have been trying to get to know the pupils and staff at the same time as contributing to the considerable amount of work that has gone into moving in to the new building. My priority is to establish the structure and team that will bring about improvements for the children.

I have worked as a Headteacher in Paulsgrove for a number of years and I feel a strong connection to the children and families whether they are from Victory or Beacon View. My drive comes from wanting to create a great community school that gets the best out of everyone and I promise that I will work hard to achieve that.

Once I have a stronger sense of the job in hand, I will invite parents and carers into the school to talk about the journey ahead. In the meantime, I would like to ask for your support by asking you to ensure that your children do their homework; practise their reading and arrive at school every day on time and ready to learn.

Thank you,

Mr Hartley

Reminder of when you can see the inside the school.

Several year groups have shown their parents around already. Here are the sessions still to go:

Year 4 - Friday 20th September

Year 5 - Monday 23rd September

Year 6 - Tuesday 24th September

All sessions run from 3:15pm until approximately 4pm. If you would like to come to one of these sessions, please come to the main office on the day listed above.



Stay in touch

The school now has an Instagram account as well as a Twitter account. Follow us on social media to get regular updates on what is going on in school.

#thenewbeaconview

Please be aware that you need to be 13 or above to have a social media account.

The Power of Parents!

As you can probably imagine, there is a lot to do around school each and every year but especially this year with our move into the new build. Because of this, we are looking for between 8-10 highly motivated and passionate parents to join our new 'parent committee'. This committee will be asked to help the school with projects such as refurbishing the outside toilet block and organising the summer fair. It will involve fund raising and project managing to help make the school the best place it can be for the children to enjoy for many years to come.

If you are interesting in applying to join this committee, please hand your name and telephone number into the office by next Friday 27th September. Mrs Mitchell will then be in touch to give you more information about how you can join.

Looking After our New School

Our new school cost £6 million to build. We must look after it and so far the children have been great. To help us keep the new building looking as good as possible, we have been reminding the children about the importance of showing respect to our school and taking responsibility for our own actions. Please make sure you also have this discussion with your child so they are reminded of the high expectations from both home and school.

Thank you, let's keep Beacon View looking as good as new for many years!

Below is a reminder of some of the other expectations we would appreciate your support with.

Other Reminders:

Mobile Phones

As the children in Years 5 and 6 no longer come past the office each day, mobile phones are now kept locked in classrooms. Children must hand phones in each morning and will be given them back at the end of the day.

The school cannot accept any responsibility for mobile phones brought onto school site so please think carefully about whether or not your child really needs one on the way to and from school.

Water Bottles

Please remember that the children need a labelled water bottle in school with them. They will bring this home every week for a good wash and they will be able to fill it up each day with lots of lovely fresh water.

Bags

Our new school is much smaller than the old school so please consider that when buying your child a new school bag. Any bags that do not fit easily onto your child's peg are too big. Book bags are ideal and all your child needs. Please help us to avoid trips and messy corridors by providing your child with a sensible, small bag.

Thank you for all of your help and support, as we settle into the new school, more information will be provided as and when needed. If there is anything you would like more information on, please add a note to our suggestion box in reception to let us know.

New Lunchtime Menu



Our new school dinners are cooked in house, in our brand new kitchen, by our great kitchen team. The menu and food are provided by Caterlink. You should have already received a new menu to show you what is for lunch each day. If you haven't, please ask your child's class teacher for one!

Bikes and Scooters

We are working hard to get two new areas for bikes and scooters added to the school site. These should be ready by the end of next week and so children will once again be able to ride their scooters and bikes to school.

The two areas will be at either end of the school, one on the newly paved area by the outside toilet block and the other in the tarmac area by the school hall/kitchens.

To help keep all of the children safe, we would like to remind you of the expectations below:



- 1) The school accepts no responsibility for any bikes/scooters or other equipment left on school property.
- 2) Please do not leave bikes and scooters anywhere else on the school site as they may be removed.
- 3) Bikes and scooters should be secured to the racks with a lock.
- 4) All children riding to school should wear helmets to keep them safe.
- 5) No bikes or scooters are to be ridden on school site. This is to keep everyone safe. Anyone found riding on school site, may be banned from bringing a bike or scooter onto the school site.