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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school, and for new families – welcome to MJS. We hope you have had a great summer. We are delighted with how the children have come into school on their first morning. Thankfully the downpour held to allow children to line up with their class to ensure a calm entrance into school.

I don't want to bombard you with too much information on the first day, but there is some important information for you to know.

PE INFORMATION – AUTUMN TERM 2025 Term 1

Children will be taking part in PE sessions on the following days:

CLASS	INDOOR PE	OUTDOOR PE
3JD	Tuesday	Monday
3SR	Thursday	Monday
3SL	Thursday	Monday
3ST	Monday	Friday
3HB	Tuesday	Monday
4OC	Swimming this term	Thursday
4GH	Friday	Thursday
4PG	Wednesday	Thursday
4JM	Monday	Thursday
4AW	Swimming this term	Tuesday
5HW	Monday	Wednesday
5EH	Friday	Wednesday
5DO	Tuesday	Wednesday
5JH	Wednesday	Friday
5GK	Thursday	Wednesday
6CH	Wednesday	Friday
6CP	Wednesday	Friday
6BM	Thursday	Tuesday
6EA	Friday	Tuesday
6SB	Monday	Tuesday
Launchpad	Tuesday	Wednesday

Children should wear their PE kit to school on their PE days, i.e. 2 days per week.



Children in 4AW and 4OC have swimming lessons this term (instead of indoor PE). They only need to wear their PE kit into school one day per week. A letter about swimming will be sent to these parents in due course.

PE kit

- House PE polo shirt
- Dark shorts
- Dark tracksuit (e.g. black, navy) – school PE sweatshirts are available
- No big logos across clothing
- Trainers
- No jewellery
- Any earrings must be removed or covered with tape (staff cannot do this)

FOREST SCHOOL SESSIONS

I am delighted to inform you that over the course of the year each class will have the opportunity to participate in Forest Schools activities in our new outdoor classroom.

Each class will have 2 sessions per term. These will take place in the afternoons detailed below. On these days your child will need to come to school dressed appropriately for all weather, in clothes that you do not mind getting dirty or muddy. Please also make sure your child has a spare pair of shoes to wear in school rather than their muddy footwear.

Forest school sessions:

	MON	TUES	WEDS	THURS	FRI
W/B 8 th Sept	5HW	4AW	Launchpad	3JD	6SC
W/B 15 th Sept	5HW	4AW	Launchpad	3JD	6SC
W/B 22 nd Sept	5JH	4GH	Launchpad	3ST	6CP
W/B 29 th Sept	5JH	4GH	Launchpad	3ST	6CP
W/B 6 th Oct	5DO	4JM	Launchpad	3SL	6EA
W/B 13 th Oct	5DO	4JM	Launchpad	3SL	6EA
HALF-TERM					
W/B 3 rd Nov	5GK	4OC	Launchpad	3SR	6BM
W/B 10 th Nov	5GK	4OC	Launchpad	3SR	6BM
W/B 17 th Nov	5EH	4PG	Launchpad	3HB	6SB
W/B 24 th Nov	5EH	4PG	Launchpad	3HB	6SB



Children will need:

- Wellie boots and spare shoes for inside the building.
- Long sleeve t-shirt
- Jumper
- Long trousers
- Water proof coat (Forest School's does happen even in the rain)
- Hat
- Suncream

Parent Information Meetings

In the past we have held Parent Information Meetings towards the start of the year to share year group information and expectations for the year.

The Year 3 Parent Information Meeting will be held at 2.00pm on Monday 8th September. This is very early in the term, but it gives us a chance to share information that you are likely to want to know regarding the Year 3 curriculum, homework and other things. Please do not worry if you are unable to attend as we will send out the slides and information that is shared.

Due to feedback and low numbers in recent years, we have decided not to host the meetings for Years 4-6. Parents generally already know much of the information that is shared, but we will send home the slides and information in Week 3 so you have everything that would normally be discussed.

Please contact your child's class teacher should you have any questions.

Kind regards,

Mr Pike
Headteacher