

Friday 7th July 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing on a very warm Friday, wondering where the academic year has gone, whilst also counting down to the summer holidays, which we all look forward to! I hope you are all enjoying the summer weather. This letter contains my usual round up of information and news.

Reminder of change to school start times.

Please find below a reminder of the information sent re a change to the start of the school day.

Change in School Start Time from September 2023

Leeds and Broomfield currently welcome children into class from 8.30, with formal school starting at 8.45am

Kingswood, Platts Heath and Ulcombe currently open their gates at 8.45 with formal school starting at 8.55/9am.

In order for us to meet the 32.5 hours of expected schooling (this can include lunch and break) children need to be starting school at 8.45am

The hours between 8.45am and 3.15pm is 6.5 per day - totaling 32.5 hours

Therefore there will be NO CHANGE to arrangements for families who attend Leeds and Broomfield C of E primary school - the red door will still open at 8.30am.

For Kingswood, Platts Heath and Ulcombe from September the gates will be opened at 8.30am with all children expected to have arrived at school by 8.40, for the register - lessons will begin at 8.45am.

Children will be marked late if they arrive after 8.45am, with an unauthorised absence for the morning if they arrive after 9.15am

As a result of this change - there will be no changes to the duration of lunch time or break time as we feel these breaks are important for the children.

There are also NO CHANGES to breakfast club which is offered at Kingswood and Leeds and Broomfield - children in Kingswood will just transfer to class slightly earlier.

Supermarket vouchers - for the summer holidays

Each child who receives benefits related free school emails will receive a £60 supermarket voucher to help with providing lunch over the holidays.

These vouchers will be issued via email before the end of the school term - i.e. in the next two weeks.

Please contact your school office if you feel your child is entitled and you haven't received anything.

You will also receive the holiday activity voucher for your child too.

Youth club information

Please find attached with this letter some information about local youth clubs and what they offer. This may be useful to your child or any older siblings within your household. Thank you to Mrs. Coleman for sourcing this information.

Wishing you lovely sunny family weekends

Kind regards,

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