



NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2022



ATTENDANCE

100% ATTENDANCE

What a fantastic start to 2022 - 2023 school year.

23 of our pupils are 100% attenders.

With many of last year's poor attenders really making an effort this term.

Our Year 6 pupils hit 100% attendance this week too. Pupils in Adams should be really proud as they hit 80% attendance, which is the highest attendance this class has achieved.

Well Done to Anderson & Watson for being form group leaders this week.



Year groups
attendance
percentage.

Year 5 - 60%
Year 6 - 100%
Year 7 - 90%
Year 8 - 69%
Year 9 - 79%
Year 10 - 78%
Year 11 - 56%

Form groups
attendance
percentage.

Anderson - 88%
Watson - 87%
Park - 86%
Turing - 84%
Adams - 80%
Daley - 78%
Storey - 77%

If your child is going to be absent please notify the school on the day by 9am.

Please either call the school and leave a message or use the ParentApp to notify staff of absents and reason.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THIS WEEKS



Congratulations to our Top Ten pupils last week.

Lower School

Ethan (Daley)
Lj (Daley)
Joshua (Daley)
Finley (Parks)
Paige (Parks)
Lacey (Daley)
Sebastian (Parks)
Rosie (Daley)
Freddy (Watson)
Kieran (Watson)

Upper School

Samuel (Hamilton)
Riley (Newton)
Leon (Storey)
Joe (Newton)
Jack (Anderson)
Drew (Anderson)
Olly (Newton)
Liam (Newton)
Arran (Castner)
Cameron (Storey)

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Please see the lunch menu for the next week, W/C 10th October 2022.
If your child would like a hot dinner please let your classroom staff know in advance.
Dinners are charged at £2.45 per day, unless you are entitled to Free School Meals
Lunches are to be paid for in cash, this can be either passed to your Teacher, TA,
or the school office.

WEEK 3		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
CHOICE 1						
	Sausages & Yorkshire Pudding served with Mashed Potato & Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Mac'n'Cheese served with Crusty Bread & Seasonal Vegetables	Mince Beef & Mashed Potatoes served with Seasonal Vegetables	Sweet & Sour Chicken served with Rice & Seasonal Vegetables	Battered Fish (MSC) served with Chips & Peas or Baked Beans	
CHOICE 2						
	Jacket Potato with a Selection of Fillings Served with a Side Salad	Deli Choice of Breads with a Selection of Fillings Served with a Side Salad	Pasta Dish of the Day Served with a Side Salad	Deli Choice of Breads with a Selection of Fillings Served with a Side Salad	Jacket Potato with a Selection of Fillings Served with a Side Salad	
DESSERT						
	Ice Cream & Fruit	Chocolate Cookie	Chocolate Brownie	Yoghurt & Fruit Compote	Vanilla Biscuit	
Available every day – Unlimited Salad, Freshly Baked Bread, Fruit Yoghurt, Fresh Fruit Platter & Chilled Water. For allergen information, please ask one of our Catering Team. All the above dishes are subject to availability.						
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IMPORTANT

If your child has allergies please notify the school office.

Dates for your



- Friday 21st October - School closes for half term.
- Monday 31st October - Back to School.
- 10th October - World Mental Health Day
- 17th October - World Food Day

When we returned after the summer holidays, we were delighted to be able to offer our pupils more trips. These included trips to Local Farm, Wepre park & Ewloe Castle, Science Museum, Swimming & Rock climbing. Here are just a few pictures of our pupils adventures.



Below is a reminder of the Uniform which should be worn by all pupils.

- White long or short-sleeved shirt/blouse.
- Navy v neck jumper/tank top with school badge.
- Royal blue blazer with school badge.
- Clip tie - royal blue with gold diagonal stripes.
- Black trousers / Blue/black check kilt Skirt or Black pleated pinafore
- Black or navy socks / White, black, or navy plain knee-length socks
- Plain black footwear Shoes or Trainers
- Polo shirts - Sweatshirts

White or Coloured Trainers are not allowed.

If you are struggling to provide a blazer please contact the school office as we have a number of spare blazers available.



**Moved address?
New email address?
Have a new mobile phone?**

It is really important that your contact details are up to date, in case the school needs to contact you in an emergency. If you have changed your email address or phone number recently, please notify the office so that we can get this updated on your child's records.

Email :- Schooloffice@theobservatoryschool.wirral.sch.uk

TEL:- 0151 652 7093

or text via "Teacher 2 Parent" App

You can also update your contact information directly on our Parent app.

This is our preferred platform to communicate with you, so if you do not have access please let the school office know, and we can issue you with details on how to access the App





THE BIG BIKING CHALLENGE

19TH - 25TH SEP 2022

Ride in support of our youth health and wellbeing campaigning

SIGN UP NOW



In just two weeks time we'll be dragging our bikes out of the shed, or finally putting away that big pile of clothes that's been lying on the exercise bike for months.. (just us?)

Will you be joining us?

It's not too late to get moving and help fundraise in support of young people!

By taking part in the event and fundraising for British Youth Council in the Big Biking Challenge, you'll be supporting the campaigning that ensures the voices of thousands of young people across the UK are heard on issues like mental health, and that the government takes this seriously.

For those who take part and raise over £75, you'll receive a specially designed medal as a thank you.

Enter your details below and we'll be in touch with more info and a fundraising pack for you to make the most of the challenge!

<https://mailchi.mp/byc/bigbikechallenge>



ECO SCHOOL NEWS

Working with the local Farm

One of our offsite programmes has been supporting our Local urban farm Tam O'Shanter's. This week our pupils have been busy helping out in the polytunnels, in prepping for winter planting. They have reusing & recycling soil, compost & containers. Although cold and wet they really enjoyed themselves.



Plastic reduction within our school

Last year we eliminated single use plastic bottles from our school meals. In one week our school would normally consume 270 plastic bottles of water. Over a term, this would be approx 2000 bottles. Over a year this is a staggering 10,530 bottles.

We would like your help in reducing this further. We would like to be a Free from Single use plastic school. You can help with this by giving your child a reusable bottle for school instead of single use bottles of water or juice.



We hope you will support us with this request

PRESCRIBED MEDICATION, ASTHMA & DIABETES



If your child/ward is required to take medication during the day please ensure a "Medication Administration Consent Form" has been completed and medication has been returned to the school office.

All medication must be in the original packaging with the pupil's name and prescription dosage visible. This includes over-the-counter and prescribed medication for your child/ward.

If you require a consent form for completion please contact Mrs Williamson
0151 652 7093

DIABETES

If your child/ward has diabetes or is under review and needs to be monitored daily, please notify staff & provide any equipment required to monitor this to the school office.

This will then be allocated to the pupil's class teachers and who will monitor & recorded accordingly.

Please ensure we have your correct contact information in case we need to call you.

INHALERS

If your child/ward requires an inhaler please notify staff & provide an inhaler in the original box with the prescribed dosage label on it. This information will help us to manage and support your child's asthma while in school.



MOBILE PHONES

Mobile phones are not allowed within the classroom settings for safeguarding reasons

Inline with our school policy, mobile phones are banned from school.

Pupils are encouraged to hand phones in to staff, who will store them safely and return them at the end of the day.

If your child/ward refuses to hand thier phone in to staff, parents / carers will be called and asked to collect the phone.

This is to protect all of our pupils under our safeguarding policy.



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OUR SCHOOL PLEDGE

We take pride in ourselves
We wear full school uniform
We wear our PE kits for PE lessons.
We treat each other with respect
We look after each other
We are kind to each other
We are polite and use kind language
We have good manners and we do not swear
We make healthy choices
We do not smoke
We do not have fizzy or sugary drinks in school
Chewing gum is not permitted in school.
We make good choices
We use our strategies to help us
We respect the personal space of others
We hand our mobile phones in on arrival
We respect our school
We do not damage anything in school
We do not damage other people's things
We take care of our environment