

MAGDALEN GATES PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

NEWS BULLETIN -12TH September 2022

Welcome back everybody!

The first 5 days of school have seen the children return positively and get straight on with their learning. We do not waste any time as safety and learning are our top priorities. Phonics started on day one for all children who need it (*including the children in Reception on their first day*) and the curriculum started in all other year groups too. We have already seen children making progress and we are looking forward to seeing what they can achieve this year.

Welcome back everybody is a powerful phrase that explains what Magdalen Gates is all about. Everybody is welcome at Magdalen Gates. As a School of Sanctuary, we pride ourselves on welcoming all children and adults into our Magdalen Gates family, not just those seeking asylum or those with refugee status. This means that every child, parent and member of staff is welcome, is included and should feel like they belong here, irrespective of the amount of time that they have been part of the family. This is achieved through understanding each other and being patient and tolerant when things are not exactly as you expect. In this way, we will continue to **work together to give every child the best**.

KS2 Walking Home

KS2 will only be permitted to walk home alone if their NEW class teacher has received a dated letter informing them of this. For the safety of our pupils it is essential that Teachers and the Educational Assistants see that the children go home with an adult

Parent Support Advisor (PSA)

Carrie Brown

Carrie is Magdalen Gates PSA and is here to offer support, guidance or just a listening ear to our parents. Please let the office know if you would like an appointment or you can speak with her direct about arranging a meeting on the gate most Monday afternoons. This service is confidential and can support you with parental/family concerns, behaviour, transition and emotional wellbeing.

Asthma Forms

Remember to return any asthma forms which were sent to those pupils we know have inhalers in school already. If your child needs an inhaler and we are not aware, please make the school office aware

PE Days

Please remember to arrive at school with PE kit on.

Reception- Wednesday
Yr1 – Tuesday & Thursday
Yr2 – Monday & Thursday
Yr3 – Tuesday & Wednesday
Yr4 – Wednesday & Friday
Yr5 – Thursday & Friday
Yr6 – Monday & Friday

Swimming – Autumn Term

Yr2 – Monday
Yr5 – Friday

Note – Swimming starts week commencing 19th September. Yr2 & Yr5 will receive a letter shortly with more information.

School Contact Details

School Office hours – Open 8:15am – 3:30pm

Telephone 01603 622675

Email Office@magdalengates.co.uk

Don't forget to follow us on Twitter!

Absence & Attendance

At Magdalen Gates we place great importance on good attendance **and** punctuality. Children who are regularly absent from school and regularly late do not achieve their potential and fall behind in class. Please support us by ensuring your child attends every day and on time.

Attendance matters!

Please remember if your child is unwell and unable to attend school please leave a message on the absence line **BEFORE 9AM**. Thank you.

Upcoming Diary Dates

3rd October – EYFS & Yr6 School Nurse Height & Weight check (letter emailed to parents 8th Sept)

11th & 13th October – Parents Evening

14th October – Flu Vaccine visit from school nurse – ALL years

19th October – SCHOOL CLOSED

20th Oct – Yr5/Yr6 Cathedral visit

REMINDER

Please name EVERYTHING – This assists in reuniting lost property with the right owner!