



Welcome back

Multi-Cultural Day (India) Wednesday 2nd November

This term as part of our multi-cultural, cross curriculum we are studying India. To fully embrace the culture we will be learning about Diwali in Art (celebration of light) students will then

have an opportunity to have a henna tattoo, cooking and eating Indian food as part of our lunchtime together. It would be great for as many staff and students to dress according to tradition e.g Sari or Kurti pyjamas.



Mobile Phones

Mobile phones need to be handed into the school office when they arrive at school and collected at the end of the day, should your child need to use their phone they can come to the office and use either the school phone or their mobile.



Sport Water Bottles

To avoid spillages please supply your child with appropriate bottles such as a sports drink bottle. Food will only be eaten at break and lunchtimes in the kitchen or common room, water is allowed in class.

Dates for your diary

ASD Awareness Talk for parents Friday 23rd September at 2.15pm by our Pastoral Lead, Jacqueline Freeston

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Christmas Lunch students, staff and trustees Thursday 8th December

Carol Service arrive at 2pm for 2.15 start Friday 9th December, Mince pies and cup of tea afterwards.



Appointments

Email or call the office and Jackie will make an appointment for you to see one of the Leadership Team to resolve any issues you may have. This will allow you to be seen at short notice and allow me to concentrate on raising the standards and improving the learning provision for our students.

Safeguarding Communities

Embracing Difference

Unlocking Potential

Parents Visiting

Please only enter via the main reception green door at the front of the school building. Please sign in and collect a visitor's badge from the front office.

You must be accompanied by a member of staff at all times.



Clothing:



Please remind your child to wear appropriate clothing; shorts may be worn but they must be knee length, bare midriffs are not allowed.

Term dates

Term dates: please note, in July 2017, 2 extra days have been added and 2 Staff Development Days will also be added and you will be advised of these as soon as possible.

Mosquitoes

Please be aware we have a lot of mosquitoes in the gardens and students will need to bring in repellent/bracelets if they are going into the garden. No aerosols please.



Attendance

It is of utmost importance that you inform the school of any absence before 9am each day. Failure to do so will result in an unauthorised absence being recorded and may involve a visit from the

Student Liaison Officer. Term dates for 2016 / 2017 are attached

Sickness

Please note that if your child is unwell with a sickness bug they must not come into school until they have had 48 hours clear of vomiting or diarrhoea.



Fragrance Free:

Please remember we are a fragrance free school, please do not bring in or wear aerosols and perfumes.

Students travelling to and from school by taxi are escorted by staff.

If you are collecting your child at 3.15pm (not before), please park at the back of the Chai Stop and make your way to the front of the school where your child will be 'released' to you by a member of staff. If you are aware that you are going to be late, please let the office know immediately. Your child will wait in the common room. If you are already doing this, please continue as it has been successful to date in ensuring the safety of all students.

Emails should be sent to: office@greatoakssmallschool.co.uk and not to individual staff. This allows emails to be prioritised and dealt with promptly.

