

Welcome Back!

We are so happy to have welcomed the children back into school after the summer! They have returned looking a little bit taller and extremely smart- we just know that this year is going to be fabulous!. The team at William Rhodes are looking forward to a term of learning and growing together and we have lots of exciting things planned!

During the summer, the staff team have worked hard to re-design our curriculum to ensure that there are exciting learning opportunities for our children and that these are brought to life through experiences. We will regularly update you about what your children are learning so that you can talk to them about it at home too. You can find out more at our Meet the Teacher meetings next week.

> We are holding sessions where parents can meet their child's new teacher and we would love you to join us to find out about the year ahead.

MONDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER

Year One - 3:15pm

Year Three - 3:45pm

TUESDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER

Year Two - 3:15pm

Year Four - 3:45pm

WEDNESDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER Year Five - 3:15pm

Reception - 3:15pm

THURSDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER

Year Six - 3:15pm

Please wait at the KS1 or KS2 doors and the class teacher will let you in.

The school hall has been re-decorated over the holidays and we have created a new library space - we can't wait for you to see them! Our staff and friends of school will be planning lots of events over the next term to get parents and carers in school, so please do look out for further updates!

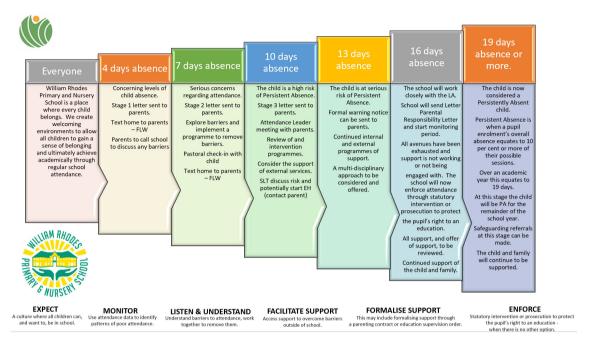


We are changing the way that we do after school clubs in order for children to have the chance to take part in an activity which they will enjoy. Each club will run for six weeks.

Children can sign up for as many clubs as they would like but places are limited. Look out for a separate letter on Parent Hub!

Attendance

We all know how important it is for children to be in school every day,



From the start of this term, we will be monitoring attendance by the number of days missed, rather than percentages. We think that this will be clearer for parents and carers and will help school to take action to support families earlier, if necessary.

There are key points at which certain actions will be taken, as you can see on the image, left. (A larger version can be found on the website). Parents and carers will receive reminder messages and letters if their child's attendance is becoming a concern and will be invited into school for a meeting if the attendance does not improve.





IT IS ALMOST TIME FOR OUR ANNUAL EMBARK AWARDS EVENING WHERE WE CELEBRATE THE WONDERFUL THINGS THAT OUR CHILDREN HAVE ACHIEVED. STAFF ARE BUSY NOMINATING CHILDREN FOR EACH OF THE CATEGORIES.

YOU WILL RECEIVE A LETTER IF YOUR CHILD HAS BEEN SHORTLISTED FOR AN AWARD WITH DETAILS OF THE EVENT AND AN INVITATION TO ATTEND.

Please look out for a pack coming home on Monday. We need to update our contact details and permissions annually. We require written consent for children to be allowed to walk home and this will only be an option for Year 5 and Year 6 pupils.

Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter and for your ongoing support,

Mrs Wilkes

Head Teacher