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### School Values

Responsible Excellence Share Polite Encourage Communicate Truth

## Newsletter - 3rd September 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to a new academic year at Carpenters. I hope that you all had a relaxing and enjoyable summer break. EID Mubarak to all our families who celebrated this special time recently.

In this week's newsletter, I have included some information to share with you. This year we will continue to work hard to make the school even better so that all children are able to receive an enjoyable education, in an environment where every child feels safe and secure. As always, if you have any concerns or questions, please do come and see myself or a member of my team. I am looking forward to working with you all again this next year.

Diane Barrick  
Headteacher

### School Meals

A reminder that the school will serve packed lunches tomorrow. The normal school menu will be served on Thursday starting with week 1. Details can be found at <http://www.carpenters.newham.sch.uk/healthy-meals.html>.

### Dates for your diary

Attached is another outline of the dates for this term. We are trying our very best to give parents/carers as much notice as possible. While some of these dates may need to be changed, we will endeavour to give you as much notice as possible. The date for school photos has been changed from the 8th October to the 6th November.

In addition, the date for the first bank holiday has been moved for all schools from Monday 4th May to Friday 8th May to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of VE day.

Details of the school term dates can be found at <http://www.carpenters.newham.sch.uk/term-dates.html>.

### Parent/Carer Information Session

Years 1-6  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2019  
3.30pm- 4:00pm

This will be an opportunity for you to meet the teachers, find out the school and teachers' expectations, as well as what your child will be learning this term. During this session you will be given a class newsletter containing information that you will find useful, as well as, important documents that need your approval/signature.

### School Uniform

It is lovely to see all our children arriving at school looking so smart at the beginning of the year and I would like to thank you all for your support with this; it really does make a difference in as much as it creates a sense of belonging. Over the next couple of days, members of the leadership team will walk around the school to check on children's uniform. Any children wearing incorrect uniform will be given a letter detailing the changes to be made. Please do not hesitate to contact your child's phase leader should you wish to discuss this further. Please also ensure your child has the correct PE kit in school and it stays in school for the whole half term. Most items of uniform can now be purchased online at [www.orchardschoolwear.co.uk](http://www.orchardschoolwear.co.uk).

### Safe Collection of Children

Today you will receive a letter regarding the safe collection of your children. Please complete this form with details of the names of adults who will normally collect your children from school and include a password to share with them. In order to keep our children safe, any adult collecting your child/ren will be required to know the password before your child/ren are allowed to leave their classroom. Children in Years 5 & 6 will also have the option to walk home by themselves. **Forms must be returned by Friday 6th September 2019.**

### Newsletters

A reminder that newsletters are sent out to all parents/carers every Friday. These are also displayed at the three entrances to the school and on the school website. If you do not receive a weekly newsletter, please let your child's class teacher know. The next newsletter will be sent on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2019. However, in the meantime, this week you will receive a newsletter from your child's class teacher & phase leader detailing key dates and plans for your child's class this next half term, along with this half term's topic web.