

Dear Parents/carers,

It's been a great start to the new year – the children have loved getting to grips with their new classrooms and have settled in brilliantly. We are really looking forward to Nursery joining us on Monday morning.

PE lessons

PE lessons will begin next week for Y1-Y6. Children in Year 1-6 should come to school in PE kit on the day they have their PE lessons. Children in Nursery and Reception will have their first PE lesson on Monday 20th September. These children need to practise getting changed into and out of their kit and so should come to school with their PE kit in a bag.

Phase	PE day	What to wear
Nursery and Reception	Monday (starting 20 th September)	School uniform
Year 1/2	Thursday	PE kit
Year 3/4	Wednesday	PE kit
Year 5/6	Wednesday	PE kit

Our PE kit requirements can be found in our uniform policy on the school website – I have copied the relevant sections below. Please ensure that children wear plain black or grey jogging bottoms that do not have colourful logos.

Swimming

Swimming takes place at Harrogate Hydro on Thursday afternoons. Children should come to school in their uniform with their kit in a bag (see kit list below). Unfortunately the current Hydro COVID risk assessment only allows us to take one class at a time, instead of the whole phase. **Miss Watson's class will be swimming up until half-term** with Mr Pratt's class swimming until Christmas.

PE Kit:

For health and safety reasons it is essential that children are appropriately dressed for any physical activity. PE is a statutory element of the national curriculum and children come to school wearing their PE kit on the appropriate days.

- Jade sweatshirt or cardigan with the New Park school logo
- Plain black or grey shorts, jogging bottoms or cotton leggings
- Plain white t-shirt or polo shirt (logo NOT compulsory)
- Trainers or plimsolls that fit securely
- All jewellery must be removed or covered for PE lessons. Plasters or tape must be provided by parents for jewellery that cannot be removed



Swimming:

For the year groups which attend swimming lessons the following is required:

- One-piece costume, trunks or swimming shorts (shorts must not be baggy or longer than mid-thigh)
- Hair bobbles to tie up long hair
- Swimming cap
- Towel

Children will not be allowed in the pool if:

- They are wearing jewellery (including earrings)
- They are wearing stick on tattoos
- They are wearing nail varnish
- They are wearing a two-piece swimming costume, or swimming shorts that are longer than mid-thigh length or are baggy

Have a great weekend,

Mr Mold