



Staff changes

As we welcome back all of our school community, I want to let you know about some staffing changes. Firstly, as existing parents will know, Miss Foote became Mrs Reynolds following her marriage towards the beginning of the summer break.

I would also like to welcome 2 new members of staff, in addition to Mrs Sterecki (see last newsletter) who will be teaching Class 1 on Mondays.

Mrs Winning will be joining us this academic year as an Academic Mentor, through the National Tutoring Programme and she will support children across the school.

We also welcome Mrs Vella, who will be supporting some children in class as well.



Building projects

Our school has had 2 major building projects taking place throughout the summer break.

Firstly, Class 1 have some fabulous new toilets and sinks to use near their classroom. The project is nearly completed, so once I can take a photo of the finished room, I will share this with you in a future newsletter. This renovation has been at a significant cost, so we are very grateful to the Friends of Ashdon School who agreed to put £8000 towards the overall amount.

In addition to this work, the majority of the flat roofing is being replaced by the Local Authority. This is at least an 8-week project, so they were unable to carry out the work fully within the summer break. Therefore, the children will see roofers and hear their work noise during the first few weeks of term.



Maths Day – Family sessions

A quick ‘heads up’ that we will be holding a pirate-themed maths day on 14th September with a visitor from As Creatives. In the afternoon, there will be family sessions to work alongside your child – more details to follow soon.



New start time and term dates

I want to remind parents that we now have an earlier start time to the school day, with the gate opening at 8:50 am and the start of the school day at 9:00 am. The finish time remains at 3:30 pm.

Breakfast Club will still be offered from 8:00 am onwards to families – please book with Neil O’ Sullivan Sports.

Finally, attached to this newsletter, are the term dates for this year, as circulated last academic year.



Dates for your diary

First day of term	5/9/22
Maths Day	14/9/22
Class 2 – Viking day	21/9/22
PD Day	10/10/22
Class 1 visit to Pizza Express	12/10/22
Parents’ Evening	18 & 19 Oct

FINAL Essex County Council School Term and Holiday Dates for Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools - Academic Year 2022-2023

September 2022							October 2022							November 2022							December 2022						
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- = Schooldays
 = School holidays
 = Bank holidays
 = Weekends

In addition, schools allocate five non-pupil days out of the school days indicated, or the equivalent in disaggregated twilight sessions.

Autumn Term:	Thursday 1 September 2022 – Tuesday 20 December 2022 <i>Half Term 24 October – 28 October</i>	74 days
Spring Term:	Thursday 5 January 2023 – Friday 31 March 2023 <i>Half Term 13 February - 17 February</i>	57 days
Summer Term:	Monday 17 April 2023 – Friday 21 July 2023 <i>Half Term 29 May – 2 June, and May Bank Holiday - 1 May</i>	64 days
		195 days

Please note:

The above dates may vary for individual schools, especially Foundation, Voluntary Aided schools and Academies.

You are strongly advised to check with your child's school before making any holiday or other commitments.