

Dear Parents/Carers of Years 3 and 4,

It is nearly time to open our classroom doors and welcome the children back! We are very much looking forward to the exciting year ahead of us and would like to remind you about some of the key classroom routines for the coming year.

**Our PE days will be as follows:**

**Cedar Class:** Tuesday and Friday

**Chestnut Class:** Tuesday and Wednesday

**Willow Class:** Tuesday and Friday

Children should come into school wearing their PE kit on the days they have PE.

Earrings should be removed for PE.

Please ensure all items of clothing are clearly named.

PE is held outdoors in all but extreme weather so when the weather is cooler, please ensure jogging bottoms and sweat tops form part of your child's kit.

Refer to the school uniform policy for more details: <https://www.north-kidlington.oxon.sch.uk/about-our-school/school-uniform>

**Drop-off routine:**

Class teachers will welcome the children at the classroom doors. Please say goodbye to your child on the playground and send them with their belongings into their class. We would ask that for Cedar and Chestnut children, please say goodbye to your child before sending them up the ramp on their own, to avoid it becoming congested.

For quick messages for your child's class teacher, please feel free to catch our attention at drop-off and we will assist as soon as we are able to. For any longer discussions or queries, please contact the school office to organise a chat at a more convenient time.

**Pencil Cases:**

Do not send children with pencil cases as we have a plentiful supply of stationery in the classroom.

**Homework:**

We will inform you about the homework which we will be setting at a later date.

**Footwear:** All children will require an indoor and outdoor pair of trainers. These should be supportive dark coloured trainers.

**Water bottles:** Every child needs their own water bottle every day, these can be refilled in school and taken to PE lessons.

**Fruit:** Is no longer supplied, as it is in Year 2. However, we recommend that your child brings a piece of fruit or healthy snack each day to eat at break time. We are a nut-free school, so ensure no foods containing nuts are included in your child's snack or lunch (please note many chocolate spreads contain nuts).

**Bags:** In Cedar and Chestnut, we have very limited space in the cloakrooms and therefore cannot accommodate large rucksacks. Please either use a small drawstring bag or a bookbag. In Willow Class, your child is welcome to bring a rucksack if that is preferable.

**Bookbags:** Children will need to bring a bookbag to school for homework books and reading books.

We are really looking forward to an exciting, fun-filled year!

**Yours sincerely,**

**Lower Key Stage 2 Team**