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Welcome Back!

It has been fabulous to see the children returning to Wellgate this week and welcoming them back into their new classes. There have been lots of smiling faces, excited chatter and eagerness to settle into their learning. It has also been great to see all our lovely Parents/Carers out and about.

We would like to send a warm welcome to our new children in FS1, FS2 and also across school. We have lots of new members to the Wellgate family and we are looking forward to working with them over this school year.

New Staff Joining Team Wellgate

We would like to say a warm welcome to our new members of Team Wellgate.

Mr Ben Cronin (Y4 Teacher)

Miss Danni Sanders (Teaching Assistant in Y5)

Miss Rachael Hallam (Teaching Assistant in Y2)

Miss Georgia Beasley (Teaching Assistant in FS2)

Miss Emma Guest (Teaching Assistant in FS2)

We wish them all the best in their new roles and hope they will be very happy at Wellgate.

Reminders

We would like to remind Parents/Carers about the start and finish times for the school day. **PLEASE ensure your child is here for 8:40am as learning is starting promptly.**

	Morning Session			Afternoon Session	
	Start Time	Finish Time		Start Time	Finish Time
Nursery – (Foundation 1)	8:40am	11:40am		12:20pm	3:20pm

****The Nursery door and gate will close/be locked at 8:50am for start of the morning session**

****The Nursery door and gate will close/be locked at 12:30pm for the start of the afternoon session**

	Doors open	Start time	Finish time
Reception (FS2) and Key Stage One FS2 Year 1 Year 2	8:35am	8:40am Children will be marked late on the register from 8:45am	3:00pm
Key Stage Two Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6	8:35am	8:40am Children will be marked late on the register from 8:45am	3:05pm

Thank You

Over the summer break, Mr Slater and Mr Wilkinson have worked really hard to maintain the school grounds. They have spent time cutting back shrubbery and painting fencing among other jobs, to ensure the school grounds are safe and ready for the new school year. The Cleaning Team have also worked hard and carried out a thorough clean prior to opening. On behalf of the school community, we would like to thank Mr Slater and Mr Wilkinson and our fabulous Cleaners for their efforts, hard work and care they have given to the school.

PE Days

Here is a reminder of the class PE days –

Monday - **Year 6 - Miss Elliott and Mr Woodcock/Mrs Thornton**

Monday - **Year 1 – Miss Gillott and Miss Jarimba**

Tuesday - **Year 4 – Mr Hawley and Mr Cronin/Mrs Woodcock**

Tuesday - **Year 2 – Miss Nowshirvani and Mr Steeples**

Wednesday - **Year 5 – Mr Hunt and Miss Haigh/Mrs Harding/Mrs Lee**

Wednesday – **FS2 – Mrs Belt/Mrs Binns-Alexander and Miss Elliott**

Thursday – **Nursery - Mrs Nicholson** (Children can wear plain comfy clothing)

Friday – **Year 3 – Miss Holden and Miss Parker** – Children in Year 3 will need to attend school in their PE kit on Friday 9th September. Swimming lessons will then commence from Friday 16th September and these lessons will take the place of PE lessons. Therefore, children will need to come in their school uniform. More information about swimming lessons will follow.

Children need to attend school in their PE Kit on their PE Day. **Please ensure that your child's PE kit is as plain as possible.** We request that clothing follows these guidelines -

- Black/Navy tracksuit bottoms
- Plain T-shirt (ideally white) – **no cropped tops/football tops**
- Plain Trainers
- Warm Top, again wherever possible, this to be plain or the children can wear their school sweatshirt/cardigan

If your child attends in a PE Kit that does not follow our school policy, they will be asked to change into a plain kit provided by school.

Replacement Pin Badges

It has been super to see the children returning with their pin badges from the last academic year. If your child misplaces their pin badge, a replacement can be purchased at the office for the cost of £2.

Dinner Money Reminder

We would like to remind you that the charge for a school dinner (**for children in Y3, 4, 5 and 6**) is £2.10 per day or £10.50 per week.

We would also like to remind all Parents/Carers that all school dinner money accounts need to remain in credit and therefore all school meals will need to be paid for in advance. Please check your child's balance on a regular basis and top-up their account if necessary.

The most effective way to pay for dinners is to use the school's Gateway App. This will enable you to view your child's account balance and manage payments. To enable you to use the gateway app you will need to ensure the office has your current email address and mobile number.

Nut Allergies

Can we remind you that Packed Lunches from home **should not** include any products that contain nuts e.g. Nutella spread and chocolate nut pots. We have a number of pupils with serious nut allergies and even when airborne they may cause a reaction. Thank you for your support with this matter. Also, to ensure there is no confusion, we do not allow any form of chocolate spread in school.

Curriculum

To ensure Parents and Carers are aware of what their child/ren will be learning over the year, we will be adding information to our new school website over the coming weeks. Please keep checking for this.

Communications and Year Group Emails

We continue to pride ourselves on our communications with Parents/Carers and we hope that any queries and concerns are dealt with efficiently and effectively. However, from the start of this new school year, staff will not be available at the start of the school day.

If you do have a query or would like to speak with a member of staff, then please either phone the office who will pass a message on for you, or alternatively email your child's teacher via the year group email.

FS1 - Mrs Nicholson's class	Wellgatefs1@ecmtrust.co.uk
FS2 – Mrs Belt/Mrs Binns-Alexander and Miss Elliott's classes	Wellgatefs2@ecmtrust.co.uk
Year 1 – Miss Gillott and Miss Jarimba's classes	Wellgateyear1@ecmtrust.co.uk
Year 2 – Miss Nowshirvani and Mr Steeples' classes	Wellgateyear2@ecmtrust.co.uk
Year 3 – Miss Holden and Miss Parker's classes	Wellgateyear3@ecmtrust.co.uk
Year 4 – Mr Hawley and Mrs Woodcock/Mr Cronin's classes	Wellgateyear4@ecmtrust.co.uk
Year 5 – Miss Haigh/Mrs Harding/Mrs Lee and Mr Hunt's classes	Wellgateyear5@ecmtrust.co.uk
Year 6 – Miss Elliott and Mr Woodcock/Mrs Thornton's classes	Wellgateyear6@ecmtrust.co.uk
School Office Email	Wellgateprimary@ecmtrust.co.uk
Special Educational Needs – Mrs Richardson	SENDwellgate@ecmtrust.co.uk

Here is a reminder of the protocol to follow regarding contacting staff -

In the first instance, please contact your child's Class Teacher. If your query is still not resolved, please ask to speak with your child's Phase Leader. If after doing this you have still not achieved a satisfactory resolution, then contact can be made with Mrs Richardson (Deputy Headteacher) and Mrs Egginton (Headteacher).

Here is a reminder to all Parents/Carers of who the Phase Leaders are in school –

- EYFS (Fs1 and Fs2) - Mrs S Belt (EYFS Teacher/Assistant Head)
- KS1 (Years 1 & 2) - Miss P Nowshirvani (Year 2 Teacher)
- Lower Key Stage Two (Years 3 & 4) – Mrs J Woodcock (Year 4 Teacher/Assistant Head)
- Upper Key Stage Two (Years 5 & 6) - Miss K Elliott (Year 6 Teacher)

Diary Dates

The Senior Leadership Team are meeting next week to organise diary dates for this next half term and these will be shared with you next week.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to working with you over this next academic year.

Kind Regards,



Cathryn Egginton – Headteacher & Team Wellgate