

Our Ref: DLE/NS/FirstDaySummerTerm

Date: 25th April 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

We are really excited to welcome back all of our pupils, to school tomorrow. The summer term is always an exciting one and we have lots in store which we will be telling you more about soon.

While most of this letter consists of reminders, of things you will already be familiar with, the one significant thing you need to be aware of is that Ms Newsome has been asked to support the new schools joining our trust, using her vast experience as an Ofsted inspector and her experience as headteacher. This means that we, Mr Lowbridge-Ellis and Mr Prime, will now be headteachers of Dame Elizabeth Cadbury School. Both of us have extensive experience improving our trust's schools and we are very excited about making Dame Elizabeth Cadbury even better for our pupils. Later this week, we will introduce ourselves in full via our school website. In the meantime, we would just like to say how excited we are to be working with you to get the best for every child.

Reminders we hope you find useful

Wisepay

If your child purchases food, please make sure their account is topped up.

Uniform and equipment

Please spend a few minutes reviewing the uniform section of our website.

<https://decschool.co.uk/uniform/>

This remains unchanged but having another look now will help us make sure that all pupils returned to school correctly dressed.

If any pupil arrives at school with inappropriate uniform they will be asked to change it. We have supplies of blazers, shoes and other items. Any pupil who does not wear the correct uniform will not be allowed in the main school body. Any inappropriate jewellery will be confiscated and will need to be collected by a parent/carer.

Equipment: Please ensure that your child has: pens (as a minimum, blue/black and green); a pencil, a ruler, a planner and an appropriate bag (see uniform link above for more examples).

Drinking water

We encourage pupils to drink water throughout the day so they keep their brains hydrated. However, as part of our commitment to saving the environment, we do not provide plastic cups. Please ensure your child has a water bottle so they can top it up during the day using the water dispensing machines positioned around school.

Behaviour

The central principle of our behaviour policy remains that we should treat others as we ourselves would wish to be treated. If any pupil does not treat others in this way or takes learning away from others, they will be sanctioned. If seen, mobile phones will be confiscated.

The full policy, which is unchanged, is available here:

<https://decschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/DEC-Matrix-Behaviour-Policy-Jan22.pdf>

First thing tomorrow morning, staff will be visiting forms to welcome pupils and check everyone's uniform and equipment. This will ensure everybody is ready to learn for the day and term ahead.

If you have any queries, please email enquiry@decschool.co.uk.

Yours sincerely



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