

THE SMITH'S WOOD

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GOOD MANNERS;

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Sept 17



Pupil Premium Awards 2013
Regional Winner



Healthy School



As we start the new school year, we have identified "manners" as a key life skill which we can improve further. Staff are modelling the expectations around school and pupils are responding very positively. Of course, many pupils already show excellent manners each day. Others need reminders! You can help develop this important life skill by;

- Encouraging the use of "please" and "thank you" at all times.
- Encouraging pupils to hold doors open for each other (and for you), when possible.
- Encouraging pupils to say "good morning" to their teacher each day.
- Reminding children (particularly young children) at every opportunity.

School Uniform

Sincere thanks to all parents and carers who have helped to ensure very high uniform standards at the start of the new term.

We believe that school uniform is an important part of our school identity and have aimed for a smart, affordable uniform.

Black school shoes must be worn during lessons (no trainers). For the benefit of doubt, footwear with stripes, logos etc. (e.g. Nike, Adidas) are considered as trainers.

Health and Safety on the school site

- Parents and carers are reminded that NO DOGS are permitted on the school site. This includes dogs that are being carried.
- Please note that at the start of the day, teachers are required to get the children in quickly in order for the register to be taken. If you need to speak to a teacher, beyond a quick word at the door, please arrange a meeting.
- Parents and carers are reminded that the school operates a zero-tolerance approach to anti-social behaviour on the school site. In 2016-17, 3 parents were banned from the school site (down from 12 in 2015-16). The governing body reserve the right to permanently ban repeat offenders from the school.

New for 2017-18

- New reading areas created.
- New patio doors in the therapy room.
- Air con added to 4d room.
- Additional classroom space created .
- Footgolf course under construction.
- New sensory garden under construction (next to the new build.)
- Additional SEN support teacher.
- Extra class created in Y6.

Autumn Term 2017

- Starts: Monday 4 September 2017 **TEACHER DAY**
- Half Term: Monday 23 October 2017 to Friday 27 October 2017
- Ends: Tuesday 19 December 2017

Spring Term 2018

- Starts: Wednesday 3 January 2018 **TEACHER DAY**
- Half Term: Monday 19 February 2018 to Friday 23 February 2018
- Ends: Thursday 29 March 2018

Summer Term 2018

- Starts: Monday 16 April 2018 **TEACHER DAY**
- Half Term: Monday 28 May 2018 to Friday 1 June 2018
- Friday 15/6/18 **TEACHER DAY**
- Friday 13/7/18 **TEACHER DAY**
- Ends: Tuesday 24 July 2018

Schools are required to open for 190 days each academic year. The school is also open for 5 additional days (Teacher Training) each year.

AUTUMN TERM DATES

11 – 15/9/17	Red Ridge (residential trip)
11/10/17	Parents Evening
16/10/17	Flu vaccinations R -4
17/10/17	Full Governors
23/10/17	Half Term
30/11/17	Christmas Fayre 3.30 – 4.45
5/12/17	Reception Nativity (9.15am/2.30pm)
6/12/17	1/2/3 Christmas Carols
13/12/17	Christmas dinner
14/12/17	Y4/5/6 Christmas Carols

Please note that the above dates are provisional and may be subject to change due to external considerations.