

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to Horninglow Primary: a de Ferrers Trust Academy

On behalf of staff and governors, I would like to welcome everybody back to Horninglow Primary. A big thank you for your support with our new school uniform - the children look fabulously smart.

Wednesday saw the official launch of the de Ferrers Academy Trust which sees Horninglow Primary, Lansdowne Infants, Eton Park Junior and the de Ferrers Academy joining together as part of the Trust. To celebrate, all four schools have had a special assembly, eaten cake and released balloons.



Staff

It is not only new pupils starting school this term; we also welcome new members of staff. As well as myself as new Principal, we welcome three new teachers: Miss Mayhew in Year 1, Mrs Hopkins in Y2 and Miss Fleming in Y4.

Meet the teacher Y1- Y6

We would like to invite you to come into school to see your child's new classroom and meet their new teacher; we will also be giving out information about the coming term.

The children will leave school as normal and are invited to bring a parent or carer back into school to introduce to their new teacher. Your child's classroom will be open for you to visit until 4.30pm on the following afternoons:

Year 1	Tuesday 20 th September	Miss Mayhew
Year 2	Monday 19 th September	Mrs Hopkins
Year 3	Wednesday 14 th September	Mrs Hussain
Year 4	Thursday 15 th September	Miss Fleming
Year 5	Friday 16 th September	Mrs Knight
Year 6	Tuesday 13 th September	Mr Smith

Attendance

Regular attendance and punctuality are essential if we are to help your child achieve their full potential. If your child is ill, please inform us on the first day of absence before the start of school, and follow this up with a note on the child's return to school. There is a system in place for us to make contact with you on the first day of your child's absence if we have not had notification of the reason. We track attendance regularly and will contact you if your child's attendance slips.

School gates open	8.45am	
Nursery	9am	12pm
Reception - Y6	8.55am	3.20pm

Medication

Any medication to be administered to children during the school day, should be brought to the school office by an adult (this includes inhalers). This is to ensure we have consent and clear information on dosages required. Wherever possible please make medical appointments outside of school time. Where this is not possible please provide evidence of any appointment during school hours (for example appointment cards/ letters).

Lunch times

So that children have more space in the dinner hall and more room to play at lunchtimes, from Monday we will be trialling staggered lunch times. KS2 pupils will be having lunch slightly later than normal, pupils may bring or buy (for 60p) a healthy snack for morning break time (KS1 pupils are given their free fruit as part of the government scheme). Reception and nursery pupils have a snack each day and we ask parent to pay £1 each week. Please ensure that children eat a healthy breakfast before coming to school - if required, we have spaces available at breakfast club which begins at 8am.

New and Improved Website

<http://www.horninglowacademy.com/>

Our website address has changed and we're busy updating it with current information. Please bear with us while we learn how to manage our new and improved website! There are already some great photos of children in their new uniforms!

Dates for your Diary

Dates	Event
Wednesday 7 th Sept	School reopens for pupils
See dates above	Meet the teacher
Wednesday 12 th October	Roald Dahl event (details to follow)
Friday 14 th October	Harvest celebration (Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 parents invited 2pm to 3pm)
Tuesday 18 th October	Online safety workshop and Assembly (details to follow)
Tuesday 18 th and Thursday 20 th October	Parents consultations
Thursday 8 th and Friday 9 th December	Christmas Concert (N, R, Year 1 and 2 parents invited 9.30am to 10.30am)
Wednesday 14 th December	Christmas Dinner
Thursday 15 th December	Christmas Craft Morning and Christmas Parties (more details to follow)

It is a pleasure to join the Horninglow team as Principal. We've had a fantastic first week. The welcome from pupils and staff has been amazing. I'm look forward to getting to know both pupils and their families over the coming weeks, as we all work together to support the children on their learning journey.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Becci Breedon

Principal



