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Welcome to the 2022/2023 school year!

Dear parents, carers and the Lemington community,

I would like to express a huge welcome to all of our children and families as we start a brand new school year - we have a hugely exciting year ahead of us here at Lemington Riverside!

New staff:

We'd like to extend a warm welcome to some new members of staff who are joining us at Lemington Riverside this week. **Mr. Jordan** joins us as a new teacher, **Kim Cole** joins as our new Attendance & Welfare Officer and **Mrs. Lowes** joins us as a new teaching assistant.

IMPORTANT: End of day time changes for Nursery & Reception:

We are pleased to confirm that from the start of this term, the Nursery and Reception class days will be extended. This means that **Nursery class will finish at 3:00pm** Monday – Thursday (2:00pm Friday) and **Reception class will finish at 3:15pm** Monday – Thursday (2:15pm Friday). All other classes will continue to finish at 3:15pm Monday-Thursday and 2:15pm on Friday. Please note, the staggered start dates for Early Years children still apply this week.

Homework Club

Our free homework club will continue to operate every Friday until 3:15pm for all children who wish to attend – please ensure you have filled in the form attached to this letter if you wish your child to attend homework club & return to school ASAP.

Uniform:

Thank you for all of the lovely feedback re. our free uniform bundles this summer. We will continue to work hard to come up with innovative solutions to help everybody as the cost of living continues to pose so many challenges for us all. Due to a slight delay from our suppliers, some of the bundles were delayed, but everything has arrived now and should be with you this week if you didn't receive it before we broke



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up for the summer. A reminder that children should wear school uniform every day. School uniform is a blue jumper/cardigan or hoodie, white polo shirt or button-up shirt/blouse, school trousers or skirt, school shoes or dark, plain trainers. PE kit is a plain white t-shirt and blue/black shorts/joggers and trainers or plimsolls.

We have a large stock of nearly new uniform in school available in a range of sizes that is always available on request. Please give us a call or drop us an email if you need any additional uniform.

Year 5 and 6 Residential to Ford Castle

Our Year 5 and 6 children head off on their 2-night adventure residential to Ford Castle in Northumberland from Wednesday 14th to Friday 17th September. This residential has been fully funded by the school as part of our 'Lemington Riverside Experience'. Further pre-departure information will be sent to parents/carers of Y5/6 children in the next few days.

Contact information:

It's really important that we always have the most up to date contact information for you in school. If your number, address, or email have changed, please give us a call on 0191 267 4315 or email admin@lemingtonriverside.newcastle.sch.uk. Likewise, if anything changes with regards to your child's medical or dietary information, please let us know straight away.

Free jewellery making taster session for parents/carers/grandparents:

We are pleased to be working with Newcastle City Learning to provide some free adult learning opportunities in school this year. First up, we have a free jewellery making session taking place **10am-12pm on Friday 23rd September** in school. To sign up for your free place, please fill in the form on the back of this letter. If we have a good number of people signing up, we will be able to offer a longer course.

Riverside Wraparound:

Our Riverside Wraparound service continues to run this half term offering cheap before and after school childcare from 7:45am up until 6pm daily. For more information, please visit the 'Wraparound' section of our website and to book, speak with Nicole in the school office.

Please see the attached page for the booking form for Friday Homework Club and the adult learning sessions – any completed forms should be returned to your child's class teacher or the school office.

Best wishes,

Mr. Heeley, Headteacher



HOMWORK CLUB BOOKING FORM

Our free homework club runs every Friday from the end of the school day until 3:15pm. Children in Nursery/Reception should be collected from their usual classroom doors at 3:15pm, children in all other year groups should be collected from the main entrance. Please note, if signing up, children should attend every week and cannot be collected any earlier than 3:15pm unless it has been agreed with the Headteacher.

YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN'S NAME/S:

PLEASE TICK ONE:

I will **collect** my child/ren at 3:15pm _____

I give permission for my child/ren to **walk home alone** at 3:15pm (Y3 and above only) _____

Signed: _____ (Parent or Carer)

Emergency Contact Number: _____

JEWELLERY MAKING CLASS FOR PARENTS, CARERS & GRANDPARENTS

Your child's name:

Name of adult/s wishing to attend free taster session:



I confirm that I/we would like to attend the **free** jewellery making taster session at Lemington Riverside between **10:00am and 12 noon** on **Friday 23rd September 2022**.