

Davington Primary School

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We hope that you and your children have had an enjoyable year so far. It hardly seems possible that there are only two terms left!

In terms 5 and 6, we will be looking at developing the children's self-belief and confidence, encouraging them to become more independent in their learning and supporting them in their transition to Year One.

Swimming and PE

Swimming will take place on a <u>Wednesday</u> morning.

The children will need a swimming costume, a towel and a bag to put their belongings in. The children may wear swimming googles, but please leave arm bands at home. As we get changed in the changing rooms they do not need to bring crocs or flip flops.

If you are sending your child in with their costume beneath their school clothes, please make sure that they have a set of underwear in their bag.

Long hair will need to be tied back and a swimming hat will need to be worn.

Please ensure your child's PE kit is in school. We will be investigating games and skills that we can play outside.

Please ensure children with shoulder length hair or longer have their hair tied back. If your child has pierced ears, their earrings will need to be removed <u>before</u> P.E and swimming sessions.

<u>Please ensure your child's PE/swimming kit is in a suitable bag and labelled clearly with their full name and class.</u>

Independence

We encourage the children to be as independent as possible. This includes taking jumpers on and off as well as getting dressed independently for P.E. and swimming. Please support your child by encouraging them to dry themselves after a bath or swimming. They should also be able to put on socks and do up zips and buttons. You could further support your child by encouraging them to "have a go" at using a knife and fork to cut up their dinner.

Homework and Reading

Year R children need to read with an adult **every day.** This can be a shared story. Please talk to your child about the story. We aim to change reading books twice a week. Reading the same book several times helps support the children's fluency and confidence.



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Summer Safety

Please ensure that your child brings a named water bottle to school each day. Sun hats can be worn, again please make sure they are named.

Please apply sun cream to your child before they come to school. They may bring sun cream to school with them, but they must apply this themselves.

<u>Lunchtime</u>

As you are aware all reception children are entitled to a free school meal. Menus can be collected from the office. Please inform the office if your child wants a school packed lunch.

Arriving at school

School starts at 8:45 and finishes at 3:15. We have an 'open door' policy and are always ready to discuss any urgent problems with you in the morning. However, if you want to have a longer discussion about your child, please make an appointment to talk to us after school – thank you.

Please ensure that all items of clothing, footwear and bags are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Bishop and Miss Kennett Reception Class Teachers