



WELCOME BACK TO A NEW SCHOOL YEAR

We are looking forward to the new events, activities and learning that are planned for your children during their new school year. The children have settled very quickly which is lovely and the school is very calm. Thank you for your continued support. It is always very much appreciated. If there are any issues or concerns, then please do come into school to talk with the class teachers.



The children look so smart and ready for learning and the school is very calm and settled which is a lovely start to the year.

We do have a few changes this year with Mrs Payler teaching in 1/2B and reception. Miss Topham and Mrs Snow are teaching in year 3 and 4. Miss Topham will also still be teaching in year 6 and Miss Pilgrim is teaching in year 5 and 6.

We do have a PE uniform as our PE learning is still part of the school day

It is important that your children wears their PE uniform on PE days as they need to be in the mindset for learning in class too for the rest of the day. Our PE uniform consists of a white t-shirt, black or dark blue shorts/joggers, black pumps and trainers for the outside PE. **The PE hoody or the blue school sweatshirt is worn on PE days too. Please do not send your child in various other coloured tops for PE or tops with various logos on. Reception children should bring their PE kit, in a named bag, to leave in school as they change in school.**

IN SCHOOL EVERYDAY. It is so important that your child attends school, makes as much progress as possible and is happy. **One week's absence is the same as missing 25 lessons.** It is **essential** that your child is in school as many days as possible.



The children also miss so much learning if they are **late arriving at school.**

They cannot get this learning back. We will closely follow the government guidelines for non-attendance and will follow up any concerns so that your child has the education that they deserve. Any unreported holidays will also be challenged.

A member of staff is on duty at all gates in the mornings to welcome your children. The **school gates will be closed promptly at 8:50am for reception, 8:50am for year 1 and 2 and 8:55am for years 3 to 6.**

All children arriving after their time **must be accompanied by an adult to the main office** where they must be signed in and a valid reason for lateness must be recorded. Please see the email sent to parents/carers about starting and leaving times. The **nursery doors** will be shut **at 8:40am** and any **nursery children who arrive after 8:40am** must be signed in by an adult at the main school office.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

18th September: Taster Day at Heanor Gate School for Year 6. More information will follow.

Parents/Carers' evenings -Tuesday 14th & Thursday 16th October, more information will follow.

Year 5 Harvest Breakfast: 23rd October 2025. Parents & carers of the year 5 children will be invited.

Half term: 27th to 31st October 2025. We have an Embark Trust Inset Day on 7th November 2025.

Year 6 SATs 11th to 14th May 2026

The year 5 children will take their SATs 10th to 13th MAY 2027

