



September 2025

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A warm welcome back to all our families. It has been great to see everyone back in school and enjoying time with friends and learning together in the classrooms. The children have settled well. This month we will focus on relationships in school. During the past few weeks of the new school term, we have been working hard on our behaviour curriculum as learning time is important. As rewards we continue to offer Dojo points, Headteacher awards, reader of the week and writer of the week. As part of our behaviour curriculum, we will be reinforcing our high expectations for excellent behaviour ensuring the children are always demonstrating the Curzon values; **Truthfulness, compassion, forgiveness, friendship, respect and perseverance** so that learning time is maximized. This is all part of our wider vision to help the pupils flourish and thrive helping them to achieve their personal best in everything they do. We appreciate your support with this.

Mrs Fletcher Headteacher



We welcome one new staff member in September

Mrs Phillips, a new teaching assistant, Mrs Stanworth, Year 4 class teacher and Mrs Gozdowska, a school midday. I am sure you will make them feel very welcome at our school.

Prospective Parent Tours



There will be a number of parent tours this term for families with children looking to start school in September 2025. If you know anyone who may be looking for a school for their child, we would be grateful if you could share the dates and times below:

Wednesday 1st October @ 9:30am

Friday 10th November @2pm

Friday 10th October @10:45am

Friday 21st November @9:30am

PTFA Annual AGM

The PTFA annual general meeting will be held at The Curzon Primary School on Wednesday 22nd October at 6pm . Parents are welcome to attend. The PTFA are always looking for new members who can offer support throughout the year.

Safeguarding Team

The designated safeguarding leads in school are Amanda Fletcher, Sophie Crowther and Laura Stevens. If you have any concerns about a child at The Curzon C of E Primary School, please speak to one of the leads. If you have immediate concerns that a child is suffering or at risk of harm, please call Starting Point : 01629 533190. After the annual changes to keeping children safe in education (September 2025) we have updated our safeguarding policies and documents. These will be available at the end of the month.



Parking

Please can we ask that parents show respect and consideration to our neighbours when parking near school and not block drives and leave engines running unnecessarily.

Pick up and drop offs.

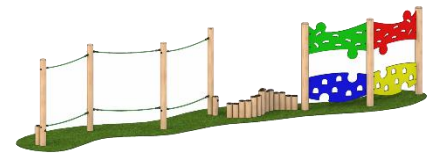
Please can we remind you that the bell is rung at 8:50am and collection of Key Stage 1 is 3:20pm and Key Stage 2 is 3:25pm. Any parents who are late will be sent to the after school provision and you will be charged.

End of the school day

We expect all children in EYFS, Year 1, Year 2, Years 3, 4 and 5 to be collected from school by parents or nominated adult. If your child is in Year 6 and has permission from a parent to walk home by themselves, please notify the teacher via Class Dojo or the school office via email.

Trim trail and Bikes/ Scooters

If your child uses the trim trail after school, please supervise them closely. If your child brings a scooter or bike to school, please make sure that they are wearing helmet and that they walk their bike/scooter into school premises. Thank you



Update contact details

If there are any changes to personal circumstances throughout the year, please would you let your child's class teacher, or the office know. If you have a change of home address, or contact telephone numbers, please email the office on: info@curzon.derbyshire.sch.uk



Medical Needs and Contact Details

If your child has any changes to their medical needs or contact details, please ensure you inform our school office.

If your child requires a special medical diet, for example they have a food allergy, you must complete Derbyshire County Council's medical diet portal

Harvest

The Harvest festival where parents are welcome is on Monday 6th October at 9:30am at St Paul's Church. Suggested items to please donate: Tinned fruit, Rice pudding, tinned meatballs, tinned potatoes, kitchen cleaning products, kitchen rolls, toilet rolls. Individual sponge pudding, tinned soup, biscuits. Shower gel of any kind.



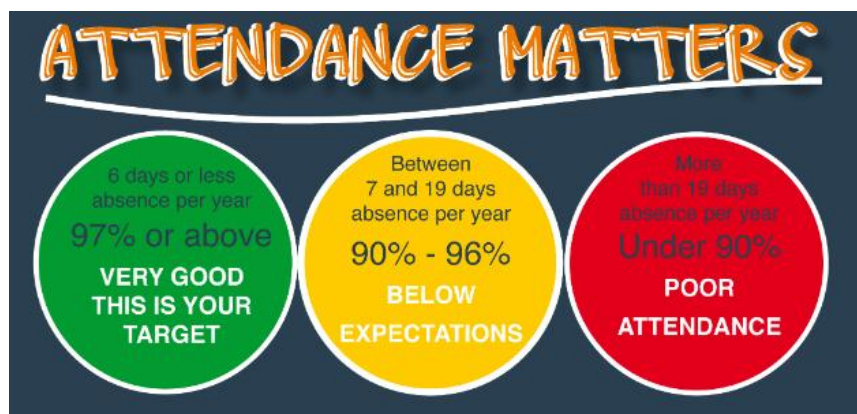
Please can items be brought into school on **Monday 6th October**, for our Harvest service.

Attendance & Absences

Please read the section on our website about school attendance. It includes a copy of our policy, information from Derbyshire County Council as well as advice for parents.

It explains clearly for parents everything you need to know. Please can I remind parents that it is your responsibility to inform school if your child is going to be absent. Please ring the school office and leave a message. Punctuality is important too. A reminder that our school day starts at 8.50 a.m. Children should be seated in their classroom ready for the register at this time.

Thank you, parents/carers, for your co-operation in supporting high levels of school attendance and punctuality



Attendance

"From the first day of term to the last, the small moments in a school day make a real difference to your child. #AttendanceCounts"

Regular attendance is important to your child's success, children are expected to come to school every day. Attendance and achievement are closely linked and good habits, developed early in life do have an impact on levels of achievement.

We regularly keep you informed about your child's attendance throughout the year and for the majority of our children attendance is good (96% or better).

Holidays during term time.

The school will not authorise an absence for a holiday during term time. Taking holidays during term time means that children miss important school time – both educationally and for other school activities. It will be difficult for children to catch up on work when they return to school. Only in exceptional circumstances may a holiday be authorised during term time – this will be decided by the Headteacher. Exceptional circumstances do not include cheaper costs, family availability or weather conditions. You can be fined if you take your child on holiday during term time.

Lateness

Good attendance doesn't just involve being present in school – it also involves punctuality. You also have a responsibility to ensure that your child arrives to school on time. **All children are expected to be in their classrooms at 8:50am every day for registration.** If they are not in their classrooms by 9:00am, they receive a late mark.

Wherever possible, parents should always try to arrange medical and dental appointments during school holidays or after school hours.

Is my child too ill for school?

This NHS guide provides useful advice for parents regarding illnesses:

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

HelloYellow day

#HelloYellow

Stand out and show up for young people's mental health on World Mental Health Day this 10 October 2025.

Join thousands of people wearing yellow across the country to stand out and show up for young people's mental health this #HelloYellow. All children can come to school wearing yellow on Hello Yellow Day for a donation to Young Minds (a link to donate will be sent via classdojo nearer the time). This can be all yellow clothing or a yellow clothing item with their school uniform.

YOUNG MINDS
fighting for young people's mental health



Get involved!

"Write a story you would love to read". BBC's 500 Words is the UK's largest children's story writing competition for 5-11 year-olds. Open from 08:00 Tuesday 23rd September - 21:00 Friday 7th November. For more information about how your child can take part visit:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/500-words/articles/zctk7v4>

Free School Meals for children

The start of a new school year is a good time to check if you are eligible for Free School Meals. If you qualify, your child will receive free school meals for their whole time at Primary School and we support accordingly. Your child being on free school meal is completely confidential. To apply, please follow the link below.

<https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/education/schools/your-child-at-school/meals/school-meals/free-school-meals.aspx>

OCTOBER 2025

6th October- Harvest service parents' welcome

10th October- World Mental health Day- wear yellow with uniform

13th October individual photos. Preschool siblings from 8:15am

15th October- Book evening 3:30-4:30pm Parents welcome into school to see the classrooms and look through books

21st October- Parents evening

22nd October- PTFA AGM @6pm

23rd October- Parents evening

24th October- PTFA non uniform Day – pay online via link

NEW DATES WILL BE ADDED IN PURPLE