



Inspiring all to Aspire, Believe and Care.

'Let your light shine' Matthew 5:16



The children have settled brilliantly back into school life following the Christmas break and have made a fabulous start to 2025. After a well-deserved break, pupils and staff have returned refreshed and ready to start a new term with many exciting ventures ahead. We do hope you will keep up to date with the activities and events across the school by reading our monthly newsletters and keeping an eye on the website and our school Class Dojo communications.

School uniform

A polite reminder, we do not allow trainers as part of our school uniform. We have returned this term to a large number of children wearing trainers. Can I remind you black shoes are required to be worn by all children. Green jumpers or fleeces are required to be worn, over the top. If you are seeking support with the uniform, please let us know.

PE Kits



Thank you to all parents for helping their children to bring in their full P.E. Kits into school during the autumn term. P.E. is a vital component of our children's learning journey and a government directive. In order for our children to exercise effectively and enjoyably, it is imperative that ALL children bring their full P.E. kit into school every Monday morning. The kit should include indoor clothing, as well as warm, outdoor P.E. clothing now the colder weather is upon us. For more information about the P.E. kit, please refer to our school prospectus. Please note no football t- shirts or football hoodies are allowed. All our children experience 2 hours of PE (this is split either into 2 separate lessons or over 1 afternoon)

Class dojo- polite reminder

Please remember the class teachers are entitled to a life out of work. We have had an increased number of messages via class dojo during our non-working hours and have seen an increase in messages during the school day, whilst we are working with the children. The staff will always ensure communication is responded to in a timely manner during the working hours. If you do need to communicate an urgent concern, **do not use Class Dojo**, book an appointment (to see the relevant member of staff) or ring the school office in the first instance.



Medicines in school



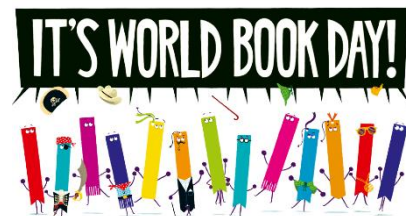
At The Curzon C of E Primary School your children's health, safety and security is paramount. We would like to highlight to all parents and carers that we have in place a stringent policy relating to in-school medication of any kind. The policy requires your signed permission and the provision of any relevant instructions before we are able to administer any prescribed medication to your child whilst on school grounds. Medication forms should always be completed and handed in at the main school office. This form and the medication are checked and then passed directly to our trained first aid staff who will oversee and administer all medication needs during school time. To help us adhere to our policy, please do not give medication to members of staff at any other time or send medication into school with children.

Holidays & High Levels of Absence

Every school day counts for your child and missed time means missed learning and opportunities. There are 365 days each year; of these 190 are school days which leaves 175 non-school days for holidays, family time and appointments. In line with DFE guidance, requests for leave of absence will only be authorised for rare and exceptional circumstances. Requests for leave of absence for holidays are only likely to be agreed for the most extenuating of circumstances. The majority of requests are likely to attract a penalty notice if holidays taken. If your child's attendance drops below 94%, you will be contacted by letter to discuss this. Where attendance drops below 90%, parents may be eligible for fines from the Local Authority

World Book Day

When we return after half term, it will be World Book Day on Thursday 6th March. Children can come to school dressed in their PJs for our night story theme. We will be doing lots to celebrate reading and books that week and on the Thursday. Dressing up is just an additional idea for the children to enjoy!



Charity Support

A huge thank you for all the donations given to the school during our Christmas Performances. We raised an amazing £260.30 for St Paul's Church and £225 for Derby Hospital. The PTFA raffles alone took a fantastic £900. Well done everyone!

Thank you for your support in arriving on time for your child's school day.



Delivery and Collection of Children

A gentle reminder regarding the Delivery and Collection of Children policy. I would be grateful if all parents and guardians could familiarise themselves with these procedures as they outline the timings for the start and the end of the day as well as gate opening times.

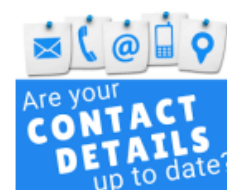
- 8:40 am - Children can commence arriving at school from this time. Gate opened/
- 8:50 am – The whistle is blown, and staff will be on duty just before this time.
- 8:51 am – By this time, the gate onto the playground will be locked and the site secured. Arriving late, please arrive via the main entrance. This is to ensure the site is secure and children are safe.
- 3:19 pm - The gates to the playground will be unlocked for parents to enter to collect children.
- 3:45 pm - (or after the last parent / carer / child has left) the gate will be locked again so that the only point of entry into the school is via The Curzon Main entrance.

School trips

As a school we have planned lots of exciting experiences for the children. Please remember to log into parent pay to consent and pay.

Contact details.

If your contact details have changed recently (e.g. a new mobile telephone number or home/email address), please make sure we have the latest details in the school office, in case of emergency.



Dates for the diary New dates for the diary

- Mondays Chess club 12-12:30 KS2
- Tuesday Swap Shop 12:00-12:30 all welcome
- Wednesday 8:00am/ Friday 8am- All welcome Sports club free of charge.
- Friday 7th February- Year 6 at Allestree Park
- Monday 10th February – Rock Kidz Dress up as a rock star
- Tuesday 11th February SEND parent review meetings- during the school day
- Tuesday 11th February- safer internet day
- 13th February- Dress up as a Roman- Year 2 and Year 4 workshop
- Friday 14th February- Break up for half term
- Friday 14th February Year EYFS Dress up as a space person.
- HALF TERM 17TH 21ST February

- Monday 24th February- INSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED FOR CHILDREN
- Friday 28th February- Year 2 fundamental sports event

- 3rd March- Wellbeing drop in during the week
- Year 2 Handbell evening event
- Year 5/6 Table tennis evening event
- Thursday 6th March- dress up PJs and World Book day and world book day lunch
- 10th March British science week
- 17th March- Sublime science in school for the whole school- Dress up as a scientist.
- 19th March school class photographs
- 24th March assessment week
- 24th Year 4 Bikeability
- 25th and 26th Year 5 Bikeability
- 27th March Year 3 Viking Day

- 1st April Parents evening
- 3rd April Parents evening
- 4th April Easter Bingo PTFA event- wear non uniform for a donation of an easter egg

- HALF TERM 7th -21st April

- Back to school on Monday 22nd April

Future dates

- 23rd June KS2 Warwick Castle
- 27th June Matlock Farm