

There is new information on this letter - please read the sections highlighted green.

Head Teacher's Welcome Back

After a long, warm summer, myself and the staff are delighted to be welcoming you all to the school; either for the first time or for your child's first time in a new year group. We know that some children may be excited, while others may be nervous. We know that some will wish the holidays could continue, while others will be running into school on Monday. As a mum, I also know that **you** may also be feeling any of the emotions above. Rest assured, that we will continue to provide you with support when you need it, lots of opportunities to engage with the school and your child's education, and all the information you need. One of our leadership priorities this year is to ensure that communication with you is the very best it can be!

We've worked hard over the summer to further improve our education offer to your children. We'll let you know of some of the changes we've made over the coming weeks - be sure to follow us on Facebook or Instagram.

Our Ofsted report will shortly be published and so, myself and the governors will provide you with the report and our plans to continue to improve every aspect of the school. As always, we welcome communication - please don't hesitate to contact the school should you need to. We'll make sure that you get to speak to the right person as quickly as possible.

Wishing you, your child and my team a successful and happy year!

Vicki

Pupil Absence

If your child is unable to attend school please ensure you call the absence line as soon as you know your child is going to be absent.

ABSENCE LINE: 01327 705785 - Option 1

The absence line is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Please clearly leave a message with your child's name, class and the reason for their absence, please do not just state 'unwell' or 'poorly'.

The start of the school day...

If at the start of the day, you wish to see Mrs Hennessy or a member of the Wellbeing Team, please go to the doors on the main corridor where they are based. Please do not go to The Atrium or Main Office, as this area gets very busy at this time of day.

Front Playground	Back Playground	Lower Playground (boats)
Year 4 Year 6	Year 3 Year 5	Year 1 Year 2

We have made some changes to the start of the school day.

Gates will open at **8.40am**.

Children should make their way to their dedicated playground as above.

If your KS1 child is attending Kidz Zone Club they be escorted to the playground to join their teacher on the playground at 8:40am.

At 8:45am a whistle will be blown. All children should line up on their designated playground with their class teacher.

When lines are formed, teachers will lead their class into the building.

At 8:50am all gates will close. Any children arriving after this time will need to sign in at the office. Lateness will be treated in the same way as absence - it is not acceptable for children to be persistently late to school.

We appreciate this is a new process for lots of parents and children. Plenty of staff will be on hand to help you find your way to your child's dedicated playground.

At the end of the school day, please collect your child from their classroom door. Again, lots of staff will be on hand next week to help you find your way. Please reach out if you need any help.

BACK TO SCHOOL



Welcome to our new staff:



Miss Caitlin Jones
Year 2 Teacher



Mrs Charlie Fenn
Year 3 Teacher



Miss Alesia Prosser
Year 3 Teacher



Mr Mark Hawkins
Site Supervisor



Miss Helle Andersen
Office Administrator



Miss Edyta Fratzak
Mental Health
Practitioner



Mrs Danielle Spencer
Learning Support
Assistant



Erika Matsukis
Kidz Zone Club - Play Lead



Mr Conor
McClenaghan
PE Coach / Kidz
Zone Club



Mr Myles Botfield
PE Coach / Kidz
Zone Club



Mr Thomas Jones
Apprentice PE Coach
/ Kidz Zone Club

Wrap around childcare



To book your child into Kidz Zone Club, please visit: [Kidz Zone Club](#)
Kidz Zone Club offer childcare from 7.30am - 6pm Monday - Friday.

Payment can be made by childcare vouchers, bank stafer or card payment.

Please note. school are unable to accept any bookings or payments for Kidz Zone Club.



All children were given unique log in information at the end of last term. New reception children have been sent their login information via Parentmail. If you have not received login information for your child, please email admin@thegrangeschooldaventry.net with your child's name and we will send this to you.

Click here : [Fresh Start Catering Meal Manager](#)

You have the choice to order for a whole, half term, a few weeks or just a week at a time and we offer the flexibility of ordering any day of the week.

Fresh Start Catering require orders by noon on Thursday the week before you wish your child to have a meal. Should you wish to make any alterations, please make them by the noon Thursday the week before you need the meal changed or cancelled.

Once confirmed you will need to contact Fresh Start Catering via email or telephone to cancel a meal.

The FAQ section on the Fresh Start Catering website can give you more information and examples. The late ordering system allows you to place an order online up until 9am on the day and for the remainder of the week for either a Jacket Potato or Deli option.

Fresh Start Catering are unable to provide a meal to children who have not placed an order. A packed lunch from home **MUST** be brought to school instead.

Important Notice



UNIFORM POLICY

The Uniform policy is available to view on our website.

[Uniform Policy](#)

Please ensure your child adheres to all aspects of the school uniform policy.

If you have any concerns about this, please contact our Wellbeing Lead Mrs Hennessy:
mrs.hennessy@thegrangeschooldaventry.net

Who is collecting your child?

If you have arranged for a different adult to collect your child from school, please inform your child's class teacher when you drop your child to school.

It is **CRUCIAL** that the office is informed by 2.30pm at the latest for any changes to your child's collection arrangements.

Thank you

We are delighted to tell you that Mrs Darby is expecting a baby. She will be with us part-time for much of the Autumn Term. We will keep you informed as to her replacement.

Our OFSTED report will be shared with you soon!

Unfortunately, we are unable to provide a tuck shop currently. Children should please bring a healthy snack to school for break time.