



Friday 17th July 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of another school year, we would like to thank you for your continued support. We are very lucky to have such a positive and supportive community at Thames View, and we are incredibly grateful for the way our families work with us throughout the year.

As we look ahead to the new academic year in September, we wanted to share a few important reminders so that all children return to school ready, safe and prepared for learning.

School Uniform

We are proud of our Thames View uniform and expect all children to wear the correct uniform each day.

On non-PE days, children should wear:

- Grey trousers, shorts, skirt or dress
- White shirt or polo shirt
- Navy sweatshirt or cardigan
- Blue gingham dress
- Black school shoes, not trainers
- Shorts may be worn when the weather is appropriate, such as during the summer term.

On PE days, children should wear:

- Blue joggers or leggings
- House colour T-shirt, or a white polo shirt if preferred
- Trainers

Good quality second-hand uniform is available from our ECO Shop in the Infant building. Please do make use of this if it would be helpful.

Snacks and Drinks

Thames View is a Healthy School, and we want to help children develop healthy habits that support their learning, concentration and wellbeing. Government school food guidance highlights the importance of helping children develop healthy eating habits and ensuring they have the energy and nutrition they need across the school day.

For break time snacks, we encourage children to bring healthy choices such as fresh or dried fruit, including apples, bananas, satsumas, raisins or dried apricots. Grapes should be cut in half for younger children. Vegetable snacks such as carrot sticks, cucumber slices, sweet peppers or celery are also great options and can be paired with low-fat dips such as hummus or cream cheese.

Other suitable choices include Babybel, cheddar cubes, string cheese, plain low-sugar yoghurt, plain rice cakes, oatcakes, breadsticks or a slice of malt loaf.

Fizzy drinks, chocolate, sweets and other high-sugar treats are not acceptable as break time snacks or drinks. Children should bring water to drink during the school day.





Toys and Fidget Toys

Children are not permitted to bring toys into school. This includes stuffed toys and fidget toys.

We understand that some children may need additional sensory or wellbeing support during the school day. Where this is needed, appropriate resources will be provided by school through our SENDCo or Wellbeing Hub. These items must be school-provided only.

Mobile Phones / Permission to walk home from class

In line with government guidance, Thames View will operate as a mobile-free zone for all pupils from September. The Department for Education guidance expects schools to prohibit the use of mobile phones throughout the school day, including lessons, breaktimes and lunchtimes.

We understand that some Year 5 and 6 pupils may bring a mobile phone to school for safety reasons when travelling to and from school. However, phones must not be used anywhere on school grounds. Once children arrive at school, phones must be switched off and handed in or stored in line with school procedures.

Years 5 & 6 - we have a form in the office for parents to sign if you want them to walk home or meet you on the front playground / outside school grounds and need a phone. This will need to be signed and with the teacher before we can allow them to leave on their own. Permission to walk after clubs is not valid for Terms 2, 3 and 4 due to the darkness after 4.30pm. We ask you to arrange pick up during these terms.

Bikes and Scooters

We are very happy to encourage children to walk, ride bikes or use scooters to travel to school. These are healthy and positive ways to start the day.

For everyone's safety, children must get off their bike or scooter once they enter the school gates. Bikes and scooters must be walked through the school site and stored safely in the appropriate area.

Thank you for your support with these important reminders. Having clear and consistent expectations helps us to keep children safe, promote healthy choices and make sure every child is ready to learn.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September for another successful year at Thames View.

Kind regards,
Thames View Leadership Team

