

Dear Parent / Carer

Welcome to KS2!

Year 6

As the children settle into KS2; we will encourage them to develop their ability to work more independently and to take responsibility for their own learning. Please help your child to become more independent at home by letting them get themselves ready for school.

I would like to take this opportunity to outline some of our expectations in KS2.

At School:

- Children should read everyday at home either independently or with a grown-up.
- They will be sent home with a book that is matched to their current reading level. Children can complete comprehension quizzes at school once they have completed their book.
- Don't forget to sign their reading diaries!
- The class teacher will read with your child at least twice a week as well as group reading every day.
- School gates open at 8:20am and class doors open at 8:25am. End of day collection is at 3:00pm from the primary hall doors. Please refer to the [Safe Collection Policy](#).



every school day counts

Days missed	Hours of learning missed	Impact
0 days missed	0 hours of learning missed	Perfection
3 days missed	15 hours of learning missed	Starting to slip
5 days missed	25 hours of learning missed	Slight concern
8 days missed	40 hours of learning missed	Concern
10 days missed	50 hours of learning missed	At risk of persistent absence
15 days missed	75 hours of learning missed	Serious risk of persistent absence
19 days missed	90 hours of learning missed	Persistently absent

every minute counts

LATENESS = LOST LEARNING
(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

Lateness	Days lost
5 minutes late each day	3 days lost!
10 minutes late each day	6.5 days lost!
15 minutes late each day	10 days lost!
20 minutes late each day	13 days lost!
30 minutes late each day	19 days lost!

Be READY to LEARN

Communication

- To communicate with your class teacher, you can: Email (office@samworth.tgacademy.org.uk) or phone (0116 278 0232) to arrange an appointment or request a call back. (Please be mindful teachers will be in class or meetings and will require 48 hours to respond).
- Use the Reading and Communication Log to pass on any non-urgent messages. For all urgent messages please contact the school office.
- All communication from school will be directed via My Child at School (such as, school reports, parent evenings, trip, term dates, etc.) For support to set up your account, please contact the school office.
- All trips will need to be paid via My Child at School.
- Please remind yourselves of the [Parent Code of Conduct](#) and all communication needs to be respectful.

Uniform: <https://www.samworth.tgacademy.org.uk/primary/parents/uniform/>

- Children will be expected to wear a shirt, tie and blazer.
- Green T-shirt, black jogging bottoms or black shorts for PE with trainers.
- Please visit the school website to check the uniform.
- A green book bag. Please do not send your child with a rucksack as children can trip over them and we do not have the space.
- No earrings or jewellery

Home:

- Read with your child. This is the most powerful thing you can do to support their learning.
- Homework is given weekly on a Friday and collected the following Wednesday. It will be split into two areas: maths and English.
- Visit our website for more information about the Year 6 curriculum-
<https://www.samworth.tgacademy.org.uk/primary/curriculum/year-6/>

Upcoming trips and events:

- Autumn 1 – Warning Zone trip – approx. cost of £11
- Autumn 2 – WW2 Workshop – school to cover cost
- Spring term – Think Tank Birmingham visit – Approx cost of £20
- Summer term 1 – Reward trip- Approx cost of £20
- Summer term – Residential – Approx cost of £200

If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to the class teacher or myself.

Thank you for your support.

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KS2 Lead