

**Our Ref:** LTM/kmd/summerterm2

3 June 2025



Dear Parent/Carer,

**Re: Welcome Back and Updates**

I hope that you have had a restful half term and enjoyed whatever you had planned last week. It was great to welcome everyone back into school yesterday at the start of what is another exciting half term ahead. Please see below some general updates as we continue to progress through the Summer term:

- Welcome to New Staff. Mr Smith, who previously worked at the school for many years, will be re-joining the Humanities team to cover Ms Perks' maternity leave. We also welcome Mr MacPhee as a permanent member of the Science team. We are delighted to have both supporting the team and wish them all the very best as they start with us.
- Home School Communication. We have been updating our school systems with further developments planned in the months ahead; we will keep you updated as any changes are implemented. At this stage, we are at a point where moving forward most electronic communication will be via e-mail instead of via text messages as is currently the case. Routine communication and letters home will go via e-mail, alongside general school updates. Communication about emergencies such as school closure or emergency bus issues will continue via text. We would ask all parents to ensure that any changes to their e-mail address are communicated to school to ensure we have the correct information recorded.
- Celebrating Success. A reminder that we frequently post information about the school on our social media pages. We would encourage families to follow both our Facebook and Twitter accounts to receive regular updates about events in school. We also publish a half termly newsletter which further highlights events across the term. (Backdated copied of these are available on the school website: [Oldbury Wells Journal | Oldbury Wells](#))
- Trips and Visits. There are further trips and visits taking place across the half term. We would ask parents to look carefully at information provided and ensure that any questions about arrangements are communicated to school. We look forward to celebrating students' achievements with the rewards trips planned at the end of the year.
- Uniform and Equipment. A reminder that all uniform ([Uniform | Oldbury Wells](#)) and equipment ([School Shop | Oldbury Wells](#)) requirements are available on the school website. We are aware that at this time some families will be updating items which need replacing while looking forward towards September. Can I use this opportunity to again highlight the requirement that from September 2025 all skirts worn in school must be the Trutex GST Gisburn Tartan Skirt.

Thank you for your continued support and please let us know if there are any questions regarding any of the updates outlined.

Yours faithfully

**Lee Tristham**  
Headteacher

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