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Dear Parents,

Welcome Back

We would like to offer a warm welcome back to you all at the start of this new academic year. We especially welcome all those children and parents joining us for the first time.

Following are a few reminders of school workings to help us all have another happy year here at TPS.

No nuts or kiwifruit at school!

TPS is now a completely nut-free and kiwifruit-free zone! Please DO NOT include kiwifruit, any nuts or nut products (e.g. Nutella) at all in your child's school lunch box. We have children who have **extremely severe** allergies to these foods.

School Day

The access gates leading onto the school yard will be **opened at 7.40am** each morning when a member of staff will be on duty to receive the children. Parents wishing to 'drop off' their children can do so **at the school gate**. This gate will be **locked promptly at 7.55am** and remain locked during school hours. (Parents escorting children who are new to the school may enter the yard area and wait with them until the start of school at 7.55am).

If your child is going to be late or absent for any reason, please inform the school on
Ext: 3301.

Any children who are late for school for any reason must enter the building through the front door.

Please note, children under the age of 6 must be dropped off and collected at school by a responsible adult.

We ask that should you be unable to collect your child at the end of the school day that you make arrangements for another responsible adult to do so and that you inform the school who that person will be in good time before the end of the school day. This ensures not only the well-being of your child but also maintains our duty of care until your child leaves school premises.

Riding to school?

Cycling/riding to and from school is not permitted for children under 6 unless an adult accompanies the child at all times. We ask that children wear cycling helmets. Bikes/scooters must only be parked in the cycle stands at the bottom of the service road between the school and the sports hall. This must be done immediately upon arrival.

There is strictly no riding on the school playground.

Climbing Frame

We have asked the children not to use the climbing frame immediately before or after school. We would hate for any accident to occur because too many children were trying to use it at one time. There will be plenty of opportunities during the day for the children to use the equipment.

Uniforms

Don't forget all items of school clothing should be clearly marked with the child's name. This way we can make sure any stray items make it home!

A list of uniform requirements (should you not have one) can be obtained from the school). We ask that you ensure that your child is wearing the appropriate footwear i.e. no "Crocs" or pool/beach shoes. We have had accidents caused by children wearing inappropriate footwear in the past and we would hate to have any more!

We also ask that all children with long hair please tie it back with a bobble. This is essential for any play on the climbing frames as well as the best way to limit the transmission of head lice.

No jewellery should be worn at school, with the exception of studs, sleepers and watches. And, of course, no nail polish!

Our uniform shop will soon be open again for business, opening times will follow shortly.

Hats

Hats must be worn at all times while outside. We operate a 'no hat, no play' policy. Pupils who do not have a hat will be asked to sit in the shade. We operate this policy strictly, regardless of season, as it is easy to forget just how hot the sun can get here.

PE Kit

Children need to bring their P.E. kit every week on a Sunday and take it home on a Thursday. If your child is not participating in P.E. then please phone or provide a written note to excuse your child from P.E. If not then your child will be expected to join in the lesson.

Remember! Children with long hair must bring a bobble to tie back their hair during sport.

Tuesday = Library Day

Don't forget! Tuesday is Library day so make sure your child arrives with their book in it's special library bag so they can choose another title to take home.

Lunch Orders

This specially priced service provided by Al Fresco is available from Monday to Thursday only each week (Fresco closed Sundays!). The set menu delivers a simple and reliable service which has been agreed by TPS, parents, medical centre and restaurant as covering a broad range of healthy options for your child's lunch. **No fizzy drinks, glass bottles, burgers, fries or gums** are on the menu and we ask that these not be sent from home either.

Please note that Al Fresco has been asked by the school to **only** supply items that are listed on the school lunch menu via our bag order system.

Delivering Lunch?

Any parents wishing to bring lunch for their children from home may drop this off at the **school reception** by **11.45am**. These will then be distributed by the lunchtime supervisor. Lunch time is still part of the school day and we have staff on duty to assist the children.

If you would like your child to go home at lunch then please notify the school in advance and, of course, ensure that they are back at school for the afternoon session at 12.30pm.

Parents and friends visiting school?

We ask that if you wish to come into the school building that you do so via the main entrance only. You will then need to report your presence to the school secretary. This control is an essential health and safety measure and we appreciate your assistance.

Medical Forms, School Contracts & e-Policies?

If you have not done so already, please return these forms as soon as possible.

Holiday Dates? Hadj? Weekends away?

Please could you let us know **as soon as possible** of any dates your child will not be in school. This is essential and at least two weeks in advance for planning and homework preparation in all the classes and much appreciated by us.

Just call 3301, email secretary@tabukprimaryschool.com or send in a note.

Education City

Teachers will be setting 1 piece of homework each week using Education City starting week commencing 18th September. Further information and a reminder of children's log in details will follow shortly.

ICT

Our new ICT Equipment is now almost fully installed! More details will follow in the bulletin.

Assessments 2015/2016

We have received the results from our assessments undertaken last year.

Reception – the results showed that our children made outstanding progress during their first year in school in all of the key areas of learning!

KS-1 – Children at the end of KS-1 completed the new National Curriculum Assessments and achieved excellent results, well above National Averages in the UK!

KS-2 – Our Year 6 children also completed the new National Curriculum tests in Numeracy and Literacy and again results were well above the National Averages!

A huge well done to all the children and staff for all their hard work throughout the year!



After School Clubs

After School Clubs will begin next week; if you would like your child to attend any of the following clubs please complete and return the attached slip as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

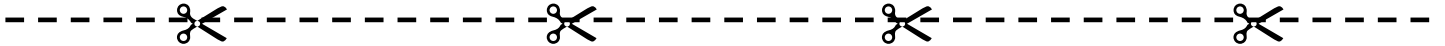
David Holgate
Headteacher



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If you would like your children to participate, please return the completed slip below ASAP.
Thank you!

Timetable After School Clubs – Autumn Term 2016

Day	Club	Time	Class Years
Sunday	<i>Lego Challenge</i>	<i>2.15-3.00pm</i>	<i>KS 1</i>
Monday	<i>Choir</i>	<i>2.15-3.00pm</i>	<i>KS 2</i>
Tuesday	<i>Pop Dance Club</i>	<i>2.15-3.00pm</i>	<i>KS 1</i>
Wednesday	<i>Debate Club</i>	<i>2.15-3.00pm</i>	<i>KS 2</i>
Thursday	<i>No clubs</i>		



Permission Slip

I would like my child/children _____ to participate in the following clubs:

Lego Challenge (KS 1) Pop Dance Club (KS 1)

Choir (KS 2) Debate Club (KS 2)

Parent's Name: _____

Signature: _____