

Happy New Year!

It was lovely to see the whole school community back together last week and to open out gates welcoming everyone back for a new school year!

Although it appears that autumn is well and truly here, we hope that you all had a wonderful summer, and we are very excited for the term ahead and the magical changes that this season brings.

An additional welcome shoutout goes to our new starters in Nursery, Reception and those who have joined us from other schools in various year groups.

Thank you all for choosing Fens Primary School, and welcome to the Fens Family. You all had an amazing first week – brilliant!

Summer Half-Term Holiday 2026

We would, again, like to remind you of our arrangements for the summer half-term holiday of 2026. As previously communicated, we have, as we did during previous years, organised all five of our PD days into one week. This is for the first week of June 2026, which is the first week of the last half-term of this academic year. This week follows on from the official half-term holiday (Whit Week).

This means that instead of school being closed for just one week, it will be closed for two weeks. As a result, school will close at home time on Friday 22nd May 2026 and will re-open on Monday 8th June 2026.

If you have considered family holidays, this provides a great opportunity totaling 16 days. The link below will take you to our 2025-26 term dates.

[Hartlepool 2025-26 School Term Dates.pdf](#)

School Dinners

The daily cost for dinners is £13.25 a week, which is paid via ParentPay.

Diary Dates

Friday 24th October 2025 – School closes for October half term holiday.

Monday 3rd November 2025 – School reopens for second autumn half term.



Newsletter

Monday, 8th September

Merit Winners

Congratulations to our well-deserved winners who have had a brilliant first week in school. They have been superb role models, and should be extremely proud of themselves!



Lost Property

We are starting this week with our lost property areas full with items left from before the summer holidays. Practically every item is not labelled. If items are clearly labelled with your child's name, they can be returned quickly.

If not done so already, please label your child's clothing for this year. We will arrange a date (this week and weather permitting) for the items we currently have to be placed on tables at drop off and pick up times outside the front entrance. Thank you.

Reminders

Many thanks again for a great start. Going forward please acknowledge the following reminders for the whole school year. The only earrings permitted are small studs, which should be covered, or removed for PE. Footwear must be sensible and black (no Crocs), and pupils should not wear fake/acrylic nails to school. We are please that as a school we have a variety of non-uniform days throughout the year, but the above must be adhered too. Thank you.

Contacting School

Other than speaking to an adult at drop off and pick up times, please ring school on 01429 870405, or email admin@fensprimary.co.uk, if you have any concerns or queries. Please contact your child's class teacher in the first instance, before contacted a member of the Senior Leadership team. Depending on when a call is made or email sent, you may not get a reply until the next school day. Thank you.

Medical Information

We are currently updating all medical records in school as we are aware that needs change over time. Many thanks to the parents who have completed and returned forms last week. If you were sent a form, could you please ensure you complete and return it as soon as possible. If your child no longer has the medical condition, can you please return the slip at the bottom of the letter you were sent so we can update our records.

If you didn't receive a letter and your child has a condition you think school should be aware of, please contact Mrs Pugh who will discuss the matter with you and arrange for the correct paperwork to be completed.