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Welcome

I can't believe that we are at the start of another new academic year! Looking ahead there is so much to be excited for, and it is wonderful to see the school full of life again. A very warm welcome back to all our pupils, families, and staff at Clothworkers' School. A special welcome goes to our new Reception children, and other pupils who have joined us for the very first time this week. Starting school is such a big step, and we are so pleased with how well they are settling in. We also have a new staff member this year, Miss Johns, who is teaching in Y6, welcome.

Last week our staff had some inspiring training from Nick Chandley (Dialogue Works) around developing the use of Thinking Moves and planning for 'essential questions' to further develop classrooms that have the spirit of enquiry and virtues to make children habitually curious and reflective thinkers.

Half termly newsletters are emailed home by the end of the 2nd week back of each half term, do look out for key dates on the back of these. If, for whatever reason, a newsletter doesn't arrive home by the second week of each half term, there will always be spares at the school office or they can be found on the school website.

Parents' Meeting appointments will be available later this half term to enable you to meet with your child's class teacher to see how they have settled into their new class. Do look out for correspondence a few weeks before to arrange your appointment. A Parent Questionnaire will also be passed to you during your meeting; we do appreciate honest feedback regarding our school community so look forward to hearing about your thoughts and suggestions. Below are some general reminders. Please remember if you ever have any concerns to contact your child's class teacher as a first point of call. Kind regards, Mrs Jackson.

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Wet mornings:

With the weather turning cooler, a quick reminder about our wet morning procedures. On rainy days, children can enter the school at 8:45 am through the rear yard entrances and will be supervised in the KSI and KS2 halls until the day begins. Please remember that for everyone's safety, adults should drop off promptly and not wait inside. On dry days the playground will not be supervised until 8.45 am, so do consider dropping your child to school after this time. We do have an expectation that KSI children are collected by a responsible adult at the end of the school day, should this person change please inform the class teacher.

Playtime shoes:

Please provide your child with an old pair of shoes / trainers or wellies that can be kept in school all year round. Our children love playing on the school field but it can get muddy, so children are required to change out of their good shoes to keep both their shoes and our carpets clean!

Parent Helpers:

If you can give up any regular time to help in school to bake or hear readers etc., please contact your child's class teacher. We do expect all regular volunteers to have a police check.

Golden Time / Wet Play Games:

Classes are always on the lookout for games, books, colouring in books and lego to play with during the unstructured times of the day. If you have any that are in good condition, please do pass these to our class teachers. We ask that children do not bring their own toys and games in.

Holidays:

Should you require special holiday leave for exceptional circumstances, you are asked to complete the holiday form which can be found on our website. Please provide details of the reason and don't just put holiday.

Parking / School Access:

The staff carpark and roundabout is not accessible between the hours of 8.45am – 9.15am and 3.15pm – 3.45pm. Please DO NOT drive beyond the bollards during these times. This is to ensure the safety of children and pedestrians in this area.

The gates to the playground are locked at 9.15am and are opened no earlier than 3.20pm.

Should you need to come in to school during the school day, you MUST only use the main entrance. To keep your children safe, we don't allow parents to wander freely in the corridors.



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P.E. / Swimming (for Y3-Y6):

Please ensure that your child has his/her full P.E. kit in school every day. It will be sent home at the end of every half term to be washed and returned. Please make sure that **all items of clothing**, even pumps, are labelled. It is much easier to return jumpers when they are named. There have been some changes to the swimming timetable and Peel will commence lessons in September until February. A separate letter will be sent home with details of the timings. If you are able to help, please contact your child's class teacher.

Parents are not permitted in the changing room area under any circumstances. This is in breach of the Safeguarding policies and procedures and is taken very seriously.

School Development Priorities:

Further information will be shared around our improvement priorities in the next newsletter.

Class information forecast / Class topics:

You should all by now have received a class information sheet, which contains more detail around the learning for your child's class this half term. Do look out for this every half term.

After school collection:

It is important that arrangements are made for the children to be collected on time and all children leave the premises. Staff cannot supervise at this time and often have training / staff meetings to attend. We also need to know who is in the school for Fire Regulation purposes. We expect that all KS1 children are collected by a responsible adult.













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Dates for the diary

Tuesday 9 September:	Year 5 at Ardwhallan RDA in Mrs Teare's class
Monday I5 September:	Isle Listen in KSI
Wednesday I7 September:	Flu Immunisations
WB Monday 22 September:	Venture Centre Group I
WB Monday 29 September:	Venture Centre Group 2
WB Monday 13 October:	Parents' Evening Week
Monday 13 October:	Y5 Stay and Learn – details TBC
Tuesday 14 October:	Individual photographs – Steve Woodley in
Tuesday 21 October:	Hockey Finals at the NSC- Y3 /4
Friday 24 October:	Break up for half term
Monday 3 November:	Return to school
Thursday II November:	Y6 Remembrance Service
Monday I December:	Y4 Christmas Performances
Tuesday 2 December:	Y5 Christmas Performances
Wednesday 3 December:	YI Christmas Performances
Thursday 4 December:	CHRISTMAS FAIR
Friday 5 December:	Y3 Christmas Performances



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Monday 8 December:	Y2 Christmas Performances
Thursday II December:	Y6 Christmas Performances
Friday 12 December:	YR Christmas Performances
Wednesday 17 December:	Breakfast with Father Christmas
Friday 19 December:	Break up for Christmas
Monday 5 January:	New term starts today

Autumn Lunch Menu

Week One: Monday 1st September 2025, Monday 22nd September 2025, Monday 13th October 2025, Monday 10th November 2025, Monday 1st December 2025				
	Main One	Main Two	served with	
Monday	Locally Sourced Beef Chilli Con Carne with Rice	Manx Jacket Potato with Manx Butter and various fillings	Fresh Salad and Fruit selection with an optional glass of Manx Whole Milk	
Tuesday	Battered Cod Fillet, Oven Baked Chips and Garden Peas	Wrap of the day - various fillings available	Fresh Salad and Fruit selection with an optional glass of Manx Whole Milk	
Wednesday	Locally Sourced Steak and Gravy Pie, Herby Diced Potatoes and Mixed Vegetables	Margherita Pizza, Herby Diced Potatoes and Mixed Vegetables v	Fresh Salad and Fruit selection with an optional glass of Manx Whole Milk	
Thursday	Roast Manx Pork, Roast Potatoes, and Broccoli	Manx Jacket Potato with Manx Butter and various fillings	Fresh Salad and Fruit selection with an optional glass of Manx Whole Milk	
Friday	Chicken Potato Pie and Chopped Salad	Baked Creamy Pasta and Sliced Green Beans v	Fresh Salad and Fruit selection with an optional glass of Manx Whole Milk	
Week Two : Monday 8th September 2025, Monday 29th September 2025, Monday 20th October 2025, Monday 17th November 2025, Monday 8th December 2025				
Monday	Creamy Mild Chicken Curry and Rice	Manx Jacket Potato with Manx Butter and various fillings	Fresh Salad and Fruit selection with an option al glass of Manx Whole Milk	
Tuesday	Cod Fish Fingers, Oven Baked Chips and Garden Peas	Wrap of the day - various fillings available	Fresh Salad and Fruit selection with an optional glass of Manx Whole Milk	
Wednesday	100% Beef Burger, Baked Potato Wedges and Sweetcorn	Vegetable Chilli and Rice v	Fresh Salad and Fruit selection with an optional glass of Manx Whole Milk	
Thursday	Locally Sourced Roast Gammon, Roast Potatoes and Cauliflower	Manx Jacket Potato with Manx Butter and various fillings	Fresh Salad and Fruit selection with an optional glass of Manx Whole Milk	
Friday	Locally Sourced Beef Lasagne and Chopped Salad	Manx Cheese Pie and Baked Beans v	Fresh Salad and Fruit selection with an optional glass of Manx Whole Milk	
Week Three : Monday 15th September 2025, Monday 6th October 2025, Monday 3rd November 2025, Monday 24th November 2025, Monday 15th December 2025				
Monday	Mild Spiced Mexican Style Chicken with Rice	Manx Jacket Potato with Manx Butter and various fillings	Fresh Salad and Fruit selection with an optional glass of Manx Whole Milk	
Tuesday	Cod Bites, Oven Baked Chips and Garden Peas	Wrap of the day - various fillings available	Fresh Salad and Fruit selection with an optional glass of Manx Whole Milk	
Wednesday	Manx Pork Sausages, Mashed Potato and Baked Beans	Cheesy Bean Pasta Bake and Sweetcorn v	Fresh Salad and Fruit selection with an optional glass of Manx Whole Milk	
Thursday	Roast Manx Beef, Roast Potatoes and Diced Carrots	Manx Jacket Potato with Manx Butter and various fillings	Fresh Salad and Fruit selection with an optional glass of Manx Whole Milk	
Friday	Chicken Chunks, Potato Wedges and Chopped Salad	Sweet Potato and Pepper Coconut Curry and Rice v	Fresh Salad and Fruit selection with an optional glass of Manx Whole Milk	

Ye are proud to use Manx produce when and wherever possible but it may be necessary to make substitutions from time to time. The above meals may not always be served in the order printed above and our Cooks may need to change the menu at short notice, if for instance there is a problem with food deliveries or a school activity has been arranged. We will try to keep any changes to a minimum

The Primary School Catering Manager will be happy to assist with any query regarding your child's specific dietary needs. Any further nutritional or special dietary information regarding the above menu is available on request from PrimarySchoolMeals@gov.im

MSC-MARINE STEWARDSHIP APPROVED AND SMART CRUMB COATED

v : suitable for vegetarians