



21 July 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

We have made it to the end of the year after a really busy but fantastic year! Thank you for all your support and for coming to all the events. Please do look at the Year Group and Whole School Events pages on our website www.overtonprimary.co.uk to see all that we have got up to this year. We also have a calendar which has all the dates for the year and one of our five INSET dates have been published. Mrs Nicholls will be making decisions about the four remaining days as soon as she can after she takes up post in September.

Please continue to use the two entrances into school and wait on the school path ahead of opening the internal gates at 8.25am to allow a prompt start for everyone. For families walking up Court Drove, please use the first pedestrian gate by the nursery car park. For families parking in the layby or beyond the turning circle, please use the second gate. This is to ensure that we keep pedestrians and vehicles turning into and out of the nursery car park separate. The one-way system is being maintained.

Please encourage your child to walk in independently as soon as they are ready. You are, of course, welcome to walk your child into school. The times are as below:

Year Group	Gate time	Registration time	Finish time Monday- Thursday	Finish time Friday
Whole school	8.25am	8.30am Late from 8.36am	3.25pm	1.25pm

If children arrive 10 minutes after the start of their day, then this is marked as an unauthorised absence due to lateness. Unfortunately, we will also require medical evidence to support (such as a screen shot of an e-consult) in order for an absence to be authorised in line with advice from Hampshire's Attendance Legal Panel. Please also make all non-urgent dentist and medical appointments **outside** of the school day wherever possible.

Children will continue to come in their school PE kits twice a week, with the exception of YR and the timetable is overleaf. Please ensure all children come in their school or PE uniform and shoes. We have streamlined the PE uniform to one colour (black shorts or leggings) and school sweatshirts, cardigans or fleeces are to be worn. Accessories and jewellery need to be kept to a minimum, with no earrings on PE days and hairbands in the school colour of blue. Long hair needs to be tied back each day for all children. We will be monitoring this closely next year and ask that you support us.

The children will visit the library every week and they can exchange their book. If a book should get mislaid or damaged, we ask for a voluntary contribution of £5 toward the cost of a replacement.

Forest School will take place on Thursday afternoons this year and start with Year 1 on 10/09/2026.

Year Group	PE days	Library day	Location of drop off and collection
R	Wednesday	Wednesday	YR outside area by classroom doors
1	Wednesday and Thursday	Thursday	By Y1 gate rear playground
2	Monday and Thursday	Monday	External classroom doors
3	Monday and Thursday	Thursday	External classroom doors
4	Wednesday and Friday	Friday	By front entrance
5	Tuesday and Wednesday	Tuesday	On rear playground
6	Tuesday and Wednesday	Wednesday	On rear playground

There is an opportunity to meet your child's new class teacher at 'A Meet and Greet' session. These will take place in school at 6.30pm. We appreciate that childcare can be a challenge so a Zoom link will also be available to join but we would encourage you to come and meet the staff who are responsible for your children in person if at all possible. The dates are below:

Year Group	Date at 6.30pm
1	Thursday 17 September 2026
2	Wednesday 09 September 2026
3	Thursday 10 September 2026
4	Tuesday 15 September 2026
5	Wednesday 16 September 2026
6	Tuesday 08 September 2026

We have sent a transition booklet for each year group to share with your child over the summer holidays. The first week in September will be dedicated to settling the children back into school and their new classes. Our aim is to hear all the children read by the end of week 2.

Please remember to order your child a lunch on Schoolgrid in September.

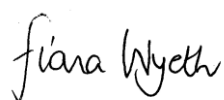
Our first whole school event will be our Harvest festival when we will be supporting the Rotary Shoe Box appeal on 28 September 2026.

We would like to wish you all a very happy summer and hope you enjoy our staff video <https://vimeo.com/1210604173?fl=pl&fe=sh>

Sadly, we send Mrs Couch and Mrs Green off with all our love and best wishes.

The staff are looking forward to seeing you in September.

Yours sincerely



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