



Somerles Junior School
Achieving Excellence Together

Updated June 2023

Welcome to Somerles Juniors

New Intake Information
Video link:
<https://bit.ly/SJSvideo2022>



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Our vision



**At Somerles Junior School,
we will work collectively to
help children to develop
into the best versions of
themselves.**

**Children will leave our
school as responsible
citizens who can make a
positive difference to the
world.**



Ofsted March 2019

★ **“a happy and effective learning environment”**

- ★ Pupils aim to be ‘the best versions of themselves’.
- ★ Pupils **behave extremely well** and are making **sustained progress** in their learning.
- ★ Pupils behave well in lessons and outside.
- ★ Pupils say that **they feel safe**.
- ★ They **look after each other** in their learning and play.













Children's three word descriptions


Stimulating Successful Safe	<i>Fantastic Great</i>
<i>Wonderful</i>	
<i>Fun Safe Amazing</i>	Fun Great Cool
Imagination Independence Joyful	
Welcoming Enjoyable Thriving	Fabulous Fantastic
Fulfilling	
Friendly Fun Safe	Amazing Achieving Improving
Fun Active Memorable	Sports-day Sporty Competitive
<i>Kind Happy Atmosphere</i>	Fun Amazing adventurous
Educational Helpful Caring	





School Values

 Aspiration	 Cooperation	 Kindness
 Respect	 Responsibility	 Tolerance



Key Staff for Year 3

Teachers: Miss Xygaki
Mrs Compton

Lower Phase Leader: Miss Sadaq

Learning Mentor: Miss Awan

Family Worker: Mr Finch

Office staff: Mrs Dudley,
Ms Stocken & Mrs Duffy

Sports Coach and Music Teacher



Start of the day

- Parents and carers of Years 3 escort children round to their classroom door at their start time
(For security, the side gate is locked at 8:50. Late children should come through reception.)
- If children arrive after the register, it will be recorded as late. Once the register is closed at 9:05am, it will be recorded as an unauthorised absence.
- Children do not need to bring a pencil case
– pens and pencils will be provided.



The School Day

- Doors open 8:40am
- Register at 8:45am (daily challenge & reading)
- First Lesson 9:00 am - 10:25am (may include assembly)
- Break 10:25am – 10:40am
- Second Lesson 10:40am - 12pm
- Lunch 12pm - 1pm
- Afternoon 1pm – around 3:20pm



End of the day

- School finishes at 3:20pm.
- You can wait for your child outside their class.
- Please collect your child promptly.
(If a child is not collected by 3:25pm, they will be brought in to the main school office.)
If you are unavoidably detained and will be late picking up, please ring the office.
- Children for Castle Club wait in the Hall and are escorted over by our staff.
- Any child who is attending a school club and is also booked into Castle Club will be escorted there after the club has finished.



Practical arrangements

- **Contact Details** – let us know if you change any contact phone numbers or move address
- **Absence** – please notify the School Office **before 9:00am** on the first day of absence
- **Medication** – all medication, including inhalers, lypsysls, creams, lotions, inhalers etc., must be **handed into the office** and a permission form completed.
- Please speak to the office if your child is unwell.
- **Trips**: use online payment system (details to follow).



Uniform


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- Black/grey knee-length skirt or smart trousers (short or long)
- White unbranded blouse, shirt or polo shirt
- Red school cardigan or sweatshirt *with school badge*
- Plain black school shoes (High heels are not suitable)
- Optional: red & white summer dress




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Jumpers and cardigans should have a Someries badge

Label all items with your child's name!!



Uniform - PE Days


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or


- Red school fleece with school badge
- Red school polo shirt with school badge
- Plain black unbranded PE shorts (or plain black cycle shorts)
- Plain black unbranded jogging bottoms or sports leggings
- Plimsolls/trainers
- Long hair must be tied back and no jewellery.

We will notify you of PE lesson days



Please keep to correct colours.



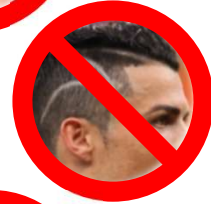
Unbranded items only please.

Remember to label all items with your child's name!!



Also...

- No jewellery
... except for small earring studs and a small wrist watch (not a smart watch).
- No inappropriate body decoration is permitted, e.g. temporary tattoos.
- No nail varnish, hair colours
- Shaved hair patterns are not permitted.
- Hair ties – red/black & discreet



Lunch

- Your child can choose either a packed lunch or a school dinner on a **daily basis** – teachers take a list every morning.
- Menus are on the website and on the school noticeboard.
- We use a cashless system. We will send you a letter for you to show register and make payments.
- Ensure that school meals accounts are kept *in credit*.
- Packed lunches: need to meet our health eating criteria. (No drinks, as water is available to all pupils in the hall)
- If you think you may be entitled to free school meals, please apply online now ([on our website, go to School Information > Lunches](#))





Snacks & drinks

- Children can bring in a small morning break snack. This can be:
 - a cereal bar *or*
 - fruit/vegetables
- If choosing a cereal bar, please choose a healthy one!
- Children may bring *named* bottles of water (*only!*) to class



Behaviour and rewards

Working together

- House points
- Class rewards
- Values role models
- Celebration assemblies



We agree to...



always try our best



look after our environment



always treat others kindly
and with respect



listen carefully to others



speak politely to others



cooperate and be team
players

**Our School
Charter**



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Junior School



Reading & Homework

Reading

- Accelerated Reader
- Reading records – 3 x per week at home
- Library – open lunchtime

Two of the most important ways you can help your child:

- Read with your child
- Listen to your child read

Homework

- Spelling Shed
- Times Table Rock Stars
- Reading
- Maths or English task

Spelling Shed 



Home Contact books are used for Reading, Spellings and any comments from parents to teachers - so need to be in school every day.



Communications

- Monthly newsletter



- Termly class curriculum newsletter
- Reports and parents evenings
- Our Facebook page
- Contact your child's teacher or our family worker





Clubs

Athletics Football Cookery Dodgeball
 Drama Sewing Library Club
 Arts & Craft Gymnastics Model Railway
 Choir Table Tennis

- Letters go out at the beginning of the new term with details of all the clubs on offer. You can book online.
- Clubs will be payable in advance with “first come, first served”



Any questions?

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