

Arnold Mill Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone that entered our Easter Competition we have had so many amazing entries. Some examples are shown at the end of this letter and more photos will be on our Facebook page.

PARENTPAY

A massive 92% of our parent/carers have activated their PARENTPAY accounts, the online system we use for accepting payments for items such as school meals, Breakfast Club, trips and other miscellaneous items. ParentPay is easy-to-use and offers you the freedom to make online payments whenever and wherever you like, 24/7. The technology used is highly secure ensuring that your money reaches school safely – offering you peace of mind.

- payments can be made by credit/debit card or also through PayPoint
- full payment histories and statements are available to you securely online at anytime
- Parents can choose to be alerted when their balances are low via email and/or SMS text

ParentPay – secure online payments

In an attempt to reduce the amount of cash and cheques from school we are asking all parents and carers to use <u>ParentPay</u>. You can use ParentPay to pay for visits and trips. Your support in using <u>ParentPay</u> will help the school enormously, thank you.

Once you have activated your <u>ParentPay</u> account (see below) you can make online payments straightaway. <u>ParentPay</u> holds an electronic record of your payments to view at a later date.

Those parents and carers who do not have access to online facilities may still pay by cash or cheque at either of the school offices.

ParentPay login

You should have received <u>ParentPay</u> account activation details from the school. If you haven't, <u>contact</u> the school office and request <u>ParentPay</u> login details.

Once you have your account details you can log in online at www.parentpay.com. Look for the 'Login' button at the top right. You will be prompted to change these and to keep them safe and secure as your Username and Password for future logins.

Adding children to an existing ParentPay account

If you already have an account, either with our school or another <u>ParentPay</u> school, you can simply login to that account and add your other children via the 'add a child' tab on your home page. You will need your activation username and password for this, which is available from the <u>school office</u>.

You can access ParentPay on your phone, tablet or computer

<u>ParentPay</u> has been designed to work on phones and tablets as well as desktop computers. The vast majority of Android, iOS and Windows Phone devices will be able to run ParentPay. If you would like to use <u>ParentPay</u> on your smartphone, just bookmark the login page to your home screen for easy access.

Need help?

Please contact the school office if you need assistance

And finally, just a few reminders:

- Only one of our After School Clubs is running the first week back after Easter
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- There is a new school meals menu (copy attached), from 4^{th} April the cost of a meal is increasing to £2.40. A letter with more information has been sent separately.
- Year 6 SATs will be held in May, there is a Parent/Carer Information Meeting on Wednesday 20th April at 4pm. A letter with more information has been sent separately.

Have a lovely Easter break, we look forward to seeing the children back at school on Tuesday 19th April.

Kind regards,

J Oldfield

Jackie Oldfield, Head Teacher



