



### *Headteacher's Message*

Welcome back to all our children and families. We all hope you enjoyed your time with your children during the summer holidays.

A very special welcome to our new families. Thank you for choosing our school and we hope our partnership will be a very happy and successful one.

We are delighted to announce that, as of 5th September, Mrs Wall will be our Deputy Head. Mrs Wall will be teaching in Gold Class four days a week in addition to performing Deputy Head duties. I believe that the position of Deputy Head will be instrumental in continuing to raise standards in school and supporting me in the management of the school.

*Have a nice weekend.*  
**Mrs Cawson, Headteacher**

### *P.E. Kits*

Please can you ensure that your child has a named P.E. kit in school which contains comfortable fitting trainers or plimsolls. During milder weather we do most of our P.E. lessons outside, so it is important that they have the correct footwear. Some of the children are complaining that their trainers are too tight so please could you check them next time you drop your child off to school or at pick up time.

### *Healthy Eating*

If your child brings a packed lunch to school, please can you ensure that it does not include any chocolate, any products containing nuts (including Nutella), sweets or fruit juice. Please ensure that the lunch is healthy as we are very proud to be a Healthy Eating School.

If you intend switching your child from school meals to packed lunches (even just for one day), please ensure that the school office are aware, as the hot meals are ordered on a Thursday for the following week and cannot be cancelled. In the last academic year, a large number of school meals were wasted every week because we had not been made aware that some children had switched to packed lunches and we had ordered them a school meal.

Please could you also ensure that drinking bottles contain water only.



### *Post Box*

We have recently installed a 'safe style' Post Box in our reception area for parents to post any letters, money, forms or other documentation to us. This box will be checked regularly throughout the day.

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### *School Uniform*

Just to remind all parents that children must only wear navy blue or white accessories in their hair.

Please tie back long hair in a ponytail or plait as this helps to reduce the risk of head lice spreading.

Stud earrings are permitted, however, they must be removed before school on P.E. days. Details of P.E. days can be found below. Staff members are not allowed to remove them due to health and safety.

### *Used Uniform Request*

We would be grateful for any uniform donations for our PTA to sell at future events. Book bags, PE bags, sweatshirts, cardigans and PE kits would be gratefully received. Even if they are looking a little worn, we can use them as spares. Please pop them into the school office. Thank you in advance



### *Milk Bottle Tops*

We would be grateful for your milk bottle tops which will be donated to a charity. All tops must be 'milk only' in any colour but they must not include foil inserts or stickers. They will be sent onto a company who makes them into welly boots and sells them to make money for Air Ambulances.

The bottle tops can be left in the basket next to the staff entrance. Thank you for your support.

### *After School Clubs*

Year Two Sports Club starts up on Tuesday 13th September and runs until 18th October. However, there is no club on Tuesday 27th September. A letter has recently gone home about this.

Choir Club will start up after half term for Year One and Two.

### *Lates*

If your child is going to be arriving at school after 9.15am and they require a school lunch, please call the school before 9.15am and ask that they are put on the lunch register. If you do not contact the school before your child comes in then you will need to provide them with a packed lunch on this day.

### *Parents with DBS Checks*

If you have a DBS check with the school please can you ensure that you have signed in this term, if you have not already done so.

This enables us to keep your DBS check current. If you do not sign in every term then unfortunately your DBS check will become invalid and we will need to redo it if you would like to help out in the future. Thank you.

### *PTA Annual General Meeting*

All parents are invited to attend the PTA AGM on **Thursday 29th September** at 7.30pm in the school hall. This is an official meeting where the committee members are elected. Every member of staff and parent is automatically enrolled as a member of the PTA but a core group of committed parents are the driving force behind a very friendly and successful fundraising team.

If you would like to be nominated for the position of Chairperson, Secretary or Treasurer please write to Mrs Cawson stating your name and a short paragraph describing why you would be good at the position by 9.30am on **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September**. These statements are then shared with the AGM meeting should a vote be necessary.

### *P.E. Days*

P.E. has started up straight away, so please can parents ensure that their children have P.E. kits in school and comfortable trainers. The P.E. days are as follows:

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri
Year R		✓		✓	
Year One			✓		✓
Year Two	✓	✓			

# Dates for your Diary

Date	Event	Time
	<b>Autumn Term 1</b>	
13th September	Year One Meet the Teacher	2.30pm
15th September	Year Two Meet the Teacher	2.30pm
23rd September	Teddy Bear's Picnic	3.30pm-5.30pm
7th October	Year Two trip to the Theatre (letter going home shortly)	
14th October	Harvest Festival Assembly (more details to follow)	
2nd November	Individual School Photos	
2nd November	Early Years Phonics Workshop (more information to follows)	
7th November	Parent Interviews—Early slots	
18th November	PTA Christmas Shopping Evening	
23rd November	Parent Interviews—Late slots	
6th December	Flu Vaccinations for Years One and Two (for those with signed consent forms)	
13th, 14th, 15th December	School Christmas Performance (details will be provided nearer the time)	
19th December	Christmas Church Service (all year groups) Parents to collect their child from church	2.00-3.00pm
20th December	School Disco	
20th December	School Christmas Lunch for children (more information to follow)	

## 2016/2017 Inset Days

31st October 2016

20th February 2017

5th June 2017

21st July 2017