

8<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Dear Parents



### WELCOME...

To a new school year - and what a GREAT year it promises to be!

We are thrilled to welcome new children

in to the FS and Y4- we hope you love your new school!

Welcome also to our new team members:

Mrs Anna Evans- School Business Manager

Ms Lucy Grace-F1 Teacher

Miss Evie Orchard-F2 Teacher

Mr Lloyd Allington-Y2 teacher

### SUPPORTING EACH OTHER

You will recall that a number of our children ran the Robin Hood half and mini marathon in previous years raising funds. Please support our runners in the mini marathon this year through sponsorship - look out for updates from Helen Hegarty.

### LEARNING TOGETHER

You will shortly receive a letter from the teachers giving details of events, timetables, topics and how you can help support your child's learning.

This term, as usual, we will have a whole school focus on basic skills - you can support by working with children on reading, spelling and x tables. Don't forget that telling the time, tying shoe-laces and using a knife and fork are skills for life too!

### DIARY DATES

Do note the dates for your diary (sent separately) and we hope to see you in school soon - check out the date for the PTA AGM Friday 15 September 2pm- a great way to get involved and support the school!

### HERE ARE SOME USEFUL REMINDERS TO ENSURE HAPPY DAYS FOR US ALL:

#### JEWELLERY

A reminder that children should not wear jewellery at school, watches though are to be encouraged. Small earrings may be worn, although NOT in PE.

It is preferable that earrings are not worn at all on days when there is PE - if they are, they should be removed by the child. It is NOT acceptable for plasters to be used to cover the earrings. If the piercing is recent and earrings cannot be removed then unfortunately it may be some weeks before children can take an active part in PE.

### HEALTHY SNACKS

Please ensure your child has water every day in a named container - also snacks should not include chocolate or crisps - there are so many great alternatives!



### MEDICINES IN SCHOOL

We can only administer medicine that has been prescribed. Permission forms must be signed and handed in to the school office - see the website for further information

### CHILD SAFETY AND SECURITY



School starts at 8.50 am but we

ask children to arrive from 8.40 am when a member of staff is on duty. Children should not be on site before 8.40 am unless attending the breakfast club.

**Do please let your child's teacher know who will be collecting them from school. If there is a change to the routine it is important that we are made aware.**

If your child walks home alone (years 5/6) then also do please let us know.

We have a number of play areas and equipment around the school - please ensure your children use this safely and appropriately before and after school and only if you are supervising them. **Children should not use the mud kitchen in the FS area before or after school and only FS children should use the FS play equipment.**

### DOGS

Unfortunately our hairy friends must wait at the gates of the school - **no dogs (apart from support dogs) are allowed on any school premises.**



Phew - all of the above "Do's and Don'ts" ensure safe and happy

children.

Kate Cumberpatch