

#### Dear Parents/ Carers

It is great to be back! I am so pleased with the manner in which the pupils have returned to school and fully engaged in their learning. Already we have held two whole school assemblies, at every playtime the playground is full of children playing together with their friends across different year groups, at lunch time everyone is dining together in the main hall.

As we move to step 4 of the road map laid out by the government, we can look forward to an exciting number of events over the course of this year. The relationship between the school and its community is important so I wanted to provide the following opportunities for parents and carers to attend.

- Parent workshops over the course of year we will be holding workshops to give
  parents the opportunity to come into school and see the way in which key aspects of
  the curriculum are being taught and what they can do at home to support children's
  learning.
- **Meet the teacher** we will be holding these on the week commencing 20 September. Each evening there will be an opportunity for you to come into school and meet the class teacher and hear more about the exciting experiences your child will receive this year (including after school trips and visits!)
- Class celebrations in the week(s) leading up to the end of half term, we will be inviting parents into school to share in the work that has been going on. It will be a chance to actively experience some of the learning that has taken place and share in the celebration of work with your children.

Throughout the year there will be many other events which parents and carers will be invited to attend, please make sure you read the weekly newsletters for more information about each of these events in school.

I look forward to welcoming you into school at these events. I hope you have a lovely weekend, and I will see you all Monday morning.

Kind regards

Richard Grogan Headteacher

#### Meet the teacher

The week beginning 20 September will be an opportunity to meet your class teacher after school from 3.30 pm - 4.00 pm.

Monday 20 September - EYFS Tuesday 21 September - KS1 Wednesday 22 September - LKS2 Thursday 23 September - UKS2

How will we communicate with parents and carers?

- Through MCAS you will receive **weekly newsletters** from the headteacher, **termly newsletters** from class teachers and **letters** or **text messages** regarding any other important announcements you need to be made aware of.
- Key messages will also be repeated and shared on ClassDojo and Twitter posts

School start times and end times...

Lessons start at **8.55 am** but classroom doors will be open from 8.45 am. The school day ends at **3.20 pm** and the school gates will be open from 3.10 pm.

## **Pupil of the Week**

Class	Pupil of the week
Class 1	The whole class
Class 1/2	Eleanor S
Class 2	Esmae T
Class 3	Izzy T
Class 3/4	Isla Rose – H
Class 4	Scarlett P
Class 5	Lily N
Class 6	Joseph B

## **Attendance**

Important attendance information - Our whole school target for this year is 97%

Class	Attendance This Week	Attendance This Year	
Nursery	N/A N/A		
Reception	N/A N/A		
Year 1	96.5%	96.5%	
Year 1/2	100%	100%	
Year 2	97.2%	97.2%	
Year 3	99.4%	99.4%	
Year 3/4	98.9%	98.9%	
Year 4	96%	96%	
Year 5	100%	100%	
Year 6	100%	100%	

Attendance this week Attendance this year overall – 98.6% overall – 98.6%

# Days off school add up to lost learning

#### 175 NON SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR

175 days to spend on family time, visits, holidays, shopping, household jobs and other appointments

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DAYS ABSENCE (190 school days)	
100%	
EXCELLENT ATTENDANCE	
Best chance of SUCCESS	

96.99%

SATISFACTORY
ATTENDANCE
Harder to make good progress

DAYS ABSENCE
OR MORE

92.99%

REQUIRES
IMPROVEMENT
Less chance of success

19
DAYS ABSENCE
OR MORE
Below
90%
Persistent Absence
CAUSE FOR
CONCERN
Serious concern
Feasible Court Action!



#### **Office Updates**

#### **Lost Property**

On Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September we will be putting all lost property outside the main reception doors.

Please come and collect any items you may be missing. Any remaining items will be recycled.

### **Breakfast Club – MCAS booking**

Breakfast club is extremely popular this year. We are only allowed to have a **limited number** of children.

Places must therefore be booked through the MCAS app – this can be done through the "wraparound care" option.

We can only allow children to attend if places are booked.





# <u>Taylor Shaw – New Catering</u> supplier

As you may be aware we have a new catering supplier in school.

We will be sending out dietary forms
next week – we appreciate many of you
will have completed similar forms
previously but as we have a new
supplier and new school year we need
these completing to ensure our records
are up to date.

Please could you complete and return these once received as soon as possible.

## **Flu Immunisations**

The school nursing team have confirmed they will be in school on **5**<sup>th</sup> **October** to carry out flu immunisations for the whole school.

We will be sending out consent forms next week.

Please could you complete and return these to the office by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September.



# Next Week's Dinner Menu....

Primary Menu Week 2	'Green Earth Monday'	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main Meal Option 1	Wholemeal Margherita Pizza with Herby Diced Potatoes	Chicken and vegetable paella	Roast of the Day Gammon with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Chicken & Sweetcorn Meatball Sub with Arrabiata Sauce & Baked Wedges	Crispy Breaded Fish Fingers (Pollock) & Chips
Vegetarian Main Meal Option 1	Veggie shepherds pie	Chinese Vegetable Curry & Mixed Rice & Naan	Roast Veggie Balls with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Creamy Baked Macaroni Cheese	Veggie Hot Dog with Onions & Chips
Vegetable Selection	Sweetcorn & Peppers Garden Peas	Green Beans Cauliflower	Carrots Savoy Cabbage	Broccoli Roasted Winter Vegetables	Baked Beans Garden Peas
	Freshly Baked Jacket Potato with your Choice of Toppings: Tuna & Mayonnaise, Grated Cheese or Baked Beans				
Sandwich Option	Sandwich: Ham, cheese or tuna	Sandwich: Ham, cheese or tuna	Sandwich: Ham, cheese or tuna	Sandwich: Ham, cheese or tuna	Sandwich: Ham, cheese or tuna
Dessert	Oaty Raisin Cookies with Watermelon Slice	Cinnamon Pear Upside Down Cake with Chocolate Drizzle	Jam Tart & Custard	Lemon & Blueberry Yoghurt Cake	(Hidden) Beetroot Brownie

# **Dates for your diary**

Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	Nursery and Reception children start
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	Lost property outside school
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	EYFS – Meet your teacher
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	KS1 – Meet your teacher
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	LKS2 – Meet your teacher
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September	UKS2 – Meet your teacher
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> October	Flu Immunisations
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Tempest Photography School Photographs