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Friday Flyer

The Friday Flyer will be circulated to all parents every Friday. Newsletters are also held centrally at the School Office.

Welcome Back

WELCOME

We would like to welcome children and parents back to school after the summer break, we do hope you have all had a relaxing holiday. A big welcome to our new staff Mrs Sinnet in Foundation Stage, Miss Shephard in Year 1, Mrs Fosh in Year 3 and Mr Christopher Ruck who is completing his Graduate Teaching Programme this academic year in Mrs Griggs' class.

Diary Dates



Please see attached for Diary Dates for the forthcoming Autumn term.

Assistant Headteachers



We are pleased to announce that Ms O'Reilly and Mrs Breeze have taken over the temporary role of Assistant Headteachers (until Christmas) as Miss Robinson has now taken on her Headship at another school. Once a new Deputy Headteacher has been

appointed we will of course let you know.

Meet the Teacher Meetings



These meetings have been scheduled in the next week and we do hope you will be able to come and meet your child's new teacher. The teacher will answer any questions you may have and discuss the routine of the class and homework arrangements.

Non Pupil Day



Next Friday is a non pupil day and we are really sorry it is so early in the new school year. Our school is part of a consortium of six other local schools and once a year we all train together. Despite trying to arrange training days later in the term, the date was decided upon due to the availability of the speaker.

Friday Assembly



There are some changes to our Friday Celebration Assembly. The Assembly will now take place on Friday afternoons from 2.40pm. Headteacher Award Certificates and Birthdays will be celebrated at these assemblies. We will not be holding Class Assemblies this term but they will continue in the Spring Term. As usual you will be contacted by your child's class teacher if they are to receive a Headteacher's Award.

Booster Group Year 2 & Year 6



We will be holding early morning booster sessions in the ICT Suite for Year 2 and Year 6 children. Year 2 children are requested to come into school on a Monday and Tuesday and Year 6 children on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The sessions will start at 8.30am and will help the children with their progress in Mathematics and other programmes. Please bring your child directly to the classroom for registration by 8.25am. Thank you.

Harvest Festival



Harvest Festival will take place on 7th October; a letter will be sent to parents next week giving details of the arrangements.

Clerk of Governors



Our Clerk of Governors, Julie Coates, has sadly resigned from her post to retire from October. We are therefore looking to employ a new Clerk of Governors to replace her. Shorthand would be an advantage and

you must be aware that confidentiality is required in all areas. There will be some evening meetings to attend as well as some during the day. If you are interested in this role please call into the office for an application form. We require any applications by 30th September and the Chair of Governors will hold interviews in early October.

Earrings/Jewellery



Please be aware that children are not to wear earrings for PE. If your child has earrings they must be of the stud variety (no hoops) and these must be removed before the PE lesson. School staff are not able to assist your child in the taking out and putting in of earrings so your child must be able to do this themselves; alternatively please ensure your child does not attend school with earrings in on the day that they do PE. Please ensure that necklaces and rings are not worn to school. Thank you for your co-operation.

Collection Details



As we are now in a new school year could you please ensure that your child's new teacher is aware of any pick up instructions (i.e. someone is always permitted to collect your child) and whether or not your child is attending the Walking Bus to St. Mary's.

Medical Information/Allergies



Please could you complete an updated Medical Form if your child has any new information we should be aware of; ensuring that your child has

asthma inhalers, epipen etc in school if required. Please ensure that we are aware of any allergies your child has to animals and foods. Kindly ensure that all medical aids and medicines are always kept within the expiry date. May we remind you that we are only able to administer medicine to children which has to be given four times a day.

School Meals



Please find attached this half term's lunch menu. We will be on week 2 from 12th September. Please ensure that lunch money (£2 per day) is paid on a **Monday** for that week or alternatively you may pay for the half term which amounts to £66. Unfortunately if you have not paid for a lunch for your child we will be unable to provide a meal. If you would like a **baguette** for next week please ensure that the attached slip is returned to school by **Tuesday 13th September**. Please could you ensure that Peanut Butter is not used in sandwiches as some of our pupils have a severe peanut allergy.

Press/Website Photographs



If you DO NOT wish your child to be photographed by the press or put on our website please could you inform us as soon as possible.

Passwords



If you would like a password in place at school in case someone other than the usual person picks up your child from school in an emergency, please complete the attached slip.

Equipment



Please ensure that your child has all the relevant equipment that they require for the school day when they are brought to school in the mornings. Thank you.

Guitar



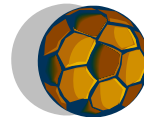
We have a few spaces available for Guitar lessons. The lessons take place on a Thursday and are £60 per term for a 15 minute lesson. If you are interested please contact Mrs Keddie in the office.

Recorder Club



If your child attended Recorder Club with Mrs Fuller last term could you please complete the attached slip so we are able to see how many pupils would like to continue with Recorders this term.

Clubs



Details of our extra curricular clubs will be coming to you on Monday 12th September. Registration day will be on Monday 19th September in the hall from 8.30am.

Tuck



As usual we will be offering the children the option of purchasing a healthy snack biscuit on Fridays. The biscuits are 30p each; if your child would like one please ensure that they have the correct money with them on this day. Thank you.