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Newsletter 1



Dear Parents,

Welcome back!

July seems a long time ago now, but it is lovely to see everyone back in school. Yesterday there were lots of smiles and welcoming greetings as I walked around the school and met people at the gate. I am very impressed with how smart everyone has looked in assembly.

Over the summer we haven't had the makeovers of the previous years, but the Reception class has been repainted, so that is now as smart as the rest of the school. I think there is just my office left to do!

New Pupils and Staff

We have welcomed some new faces with 30 new Reception pupils, Miss Rios in Year 1 and a handful of children in other classes. I know that everyone will offer them and their families a warm welcome. We now have only two school places available and a waiting list for several classes. This is great news as it will determine our funding for next year and reduces disruption to classes during the year.

House Captains

Our Year 6 pupils are already taking on new responsibilities. Today we held the House Captain and Vice House Captain elections. Pupils who would like to represent their House are asked to prepare an electoral address which they present to the other members of their house. This is followed democratic elections which are not overseen by the United Nations, but are nevertheless nerve-wracking events. The results this year are:

Saturn (yellow): Shahid (HC), Laila (VC)
Jupiter (blue): Molly (HC), Lucy (VC)
Neptune (red): Megan (HC), Zaara (VC)
Mercury (green): Jaime-Lee (HC), Anna (VC)



Medical Conditions and Medication

We are currently checking that any medication we hold in school – inhalers, epi-pens, etc. – is all in date. If, over the summer holidays, your child has been diagnosed as asthmatic, requires an epi-pen for any reason or has any other medical condition of which we should be aware, please ask at the office to complete a care plan.

Data Collection

If you have changed your contact details i.e. got married, changed phone numbers, moved house or need to change who should be contacted in an emergency, please remember to update the office.

Curriculum Information

At the beginning of next week you will be receiving a new style curriculum letter outlining what your child will be learning this term and how you can help them.

Internet Learning and e-Safety

The internet is a very useful and hugely powerful tool, which can be used to support your child's learning in a number of ways. Next week you will receive a leaflet detailing some of our subscription resources which can be accessed from home. Later this term we have arranged for a parents' information evening about using the internet and social media safely so that you can help your child with a technology that is developing very quickly. Details will be sent out nearer the time.

Breakfast Club

Our breakfast club continues to flourish. Remember you don't need to book and can just drop your child off between 8 and 8.30 am. It costs just £3 a morning for breakfast and a relaxing start to the day. Discounts are available for pupils entitled to Pupil Premium.

Uniform

A final reminder or rather, a desperate plea – make sure your child's belongings are named. A number of unnamed items of clothing were left in classrooms and the dining room at the end of the year. These will be available for collection on Monday afternoon (outside the dining room if fine). Any items left after that will be disposed of.

Have a great weekend and come back refreshed for a whole week of learning and fun next week!

Mrs. D. Raftery
Headteacher