

To make our dreams come true

through our shared Christian Values of compassion, respect, trust, wisdom and friendship

*You are like a tree planted by the water, bearing fresh fruit every month,
Never dropping a leaf, always in blossom. Psalm 1:3*

4th September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the new school year and a warm welcome to our new children and families. I hope you had an enjoyable and relaxing summer. A few reminders to begin with!

Open Classrooms

You will receive information about the new school year from your child's class teacher. You are very welcome to join open classroom sessions on Thursday 7th September at 3.15pm for KS2 and Friday 8th September for KS1 and Reception. This informal session is not designed for one to one consultations. Classteachers will provide you with information about the class and an overview of learning for the Autumn Term, based on the National Curriculum.

Attendance

School attendance is important. There has been much disruption in the past few years and nationally attendance is still an issue. I believe in the importance of education to help children flourish, to lead happy and fulfilled lives, whatever they want to do or be. We will, and indeed are required to, robustly monitor attendance, as sometimes poor attendance can relate to neglect and other safeguarding issues. This also includes being present for registration at 9am.

School Office

Please inform us of any change of address or new telephone numbers, to ensure our records are up to date and that we can contact you. We need two named contacts in-case of emergency. Please contact Mrs Bartucca, in the school office, if you would like to know how to make an application for free school meals. Please also contact the school office if you would like your child to attend Breakfast Club or After School Care. Please complete and return the Home School Agreement form-see attached.

Safeguarding

Please can I remind you that for safeguarding reasons, and to get on with the business of learning, the children are not permitted to have mobile phones in school or to wear smart watches. The children will revisit and learn about on-line safety- please see SMART guidelines attached. Please ensure that you monitor and safeguard your child's use of social media at home. The NSPCC website has some useful guidance for parents.

Parking is not permitted on the school site. We ask parents to use the Park and Ride carpark. The school driveway needs to be kept clear for child and pedestrian safety, which includes access for the school minibus and school taxis.

If you have any concerns, please arrange to speak to the class teacher after school, in the first instance. We look forward to catching up with you and to beginning an exciting new term of learning with your children.

Best wishes,
Mrs Knipe



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Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 5th September 2023- New school term begins

Thursday 7th September 3.15pm - KS2 open classrooms

Friday 8th September 2023 3.15pm - KS1 and Reception open classrooms

13th September -15th September -Hooke Court Residential

Monday 25th September 3.30-5.30pm- Parents' Evening

Tuesday 26th September 3.30-5.30pm- Parents' Evening

Friday 29th September 9am- Celebration Worship- parents and carers welcome

Thursday 5th October-Life Education Van

Thursday 19th October-29th October- Half Term Break

Monday 30th October- Term 2 begins



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