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Welcome back!

We hope that your child has had a lovely first week back—it has been so lovely and calm through school and all the classes have settled brilliantly. A special well done to our new children across school—Harrison, Callum and Rowan, and to our 20 new Reception children—who have all been fabulous.

Please make a note of all dates in the calendar box—any new ones which drop in will be put in red.



Communications

Just a reminder that **Seesaw** will no longer be used to message parents from classes, as we were aware that for some parents there were too many communication methods and it was confusing. Please email into the office or myself—and all queries will always be forwarded, or speak to staff on the playground. We are always available to chat!

The **website** has loads of information—and it is now up to date for the new term. Please do check our safeguarding and data policies which have all been reviewed, and privacy notices about how we use data.

Photographs will be updated weekly on each class page—it does give you a window into school life as we know children don't always share much!

PE and Outdoor Learning

The children look great in their new PE tops—thank you if you have been able to invest in one of these. A reminder for outdoor learning, the kit is essentially the same as PE with the addition of waterproofs / coat as the weather gets wetter and colder—children in Class 1 often have the waterproof over trousers and tops which they bring with them. For the older classes they will rotate their outdoor learning with a 2nd PE session so that we can fit in all our PE curriculum.

The class pages on the website are correct with the PE days and outdoor learning, so please double check if you are not sure for next week.

Reception 2024 starters!

If you have a child who will start school next September—please book to come along for a look around. Please also spread the word to your family and friends who live nearby. The website 'admissions into our school' page has further details, and we will be sending leaflets to local nurseries too.

KS1 Toilets Refurbishment

We have some lovely fresh new toilets for Classes 1 and 2! We decided to remove the urinals and replace them with additional cubicles which has meant we can then use them for the youngest children as unisex. It is working really well—so don't worry if your child says boys and girls are in the same loos! There are doors!

Baby News!

We are really excited to tell you that Mrs Smith had a baby boy at the start of August! Harvey Richard Smith was born on 4th August. We have all met him at school, and he is gorgeous! I'm sure he will pop by later this term.



DATE	EVENT
Thursday 14th September	Meet the Teacher—2.40pm. All classes—chance to meet your child's teacher
Monday 18th September	Reception Parents Workshops—3.30pm and 5.50pm. Attend just one!
Mon 25th—Thurs 28th Sept	Year 6 Bikeability course
Thursday 5th October	Year 3 Parent lunch—come and have a lunch with your child. More details to follow.
Sunday 8th October	Gardening morning—please can you help? 9—11.30am
Tuesday 10th October	Phonics Workshop for all Class 1 and Class 2 parents—2.30pm
Monday 23rd October	Harvest Festival—2.00pm at the church.
Friday 27th October	Break up for half term
Monday 6th November	Return from half term
Mon 6th—Fri 10th Nov	Year 6 Arthog residential
Wednesday 8th November	Reception Parent lunch—come and have lunch with your child. More details to follow.
Monday 20th November	Parent-Teacher meetings Classes 4 / 5
Tuesday 21st November	Parent Teacher meetings Classes 2 / 3
Wed 22nd November	Parent Teacher meetings Class 1
Monday 18th December	Carol Service—2pm
Thursday 21st December	Last day of the Autumn term
Friday 22nd December	PD day—staff only
Monday 8th January	Return from Christmas holidays

Calling all gardeners! Please come!

We are hopeful to have a gardening tidy up group on Sunday 8th October 9am—11.30. Coffee and biscuits provided. Please let Mrs Johnson know if you can help.



What a great week! Really hard to choose 5R Stars this week as all have been so brilliant!



Class 1: Josh—being resilient and responsible



Class 2: Henry—being responsible



Class 3: Harrison—being resilient



Class 4: Kit—being resilient



Class 5: Bella—being resilient