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9 September 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to school after the summer break. We are pleased to have the pleasure of working with you and your children once again. Hopefully you had the chance to spend some quality time together and everyone has remained healthy. If you have just joined our school family, we would like to take this opportunity to say how glad we are to have you on board.

The children have settled back into school life well. They are looking very smart in their uniforms and have remembered our expectations of their behaviour and approach to learning brilliantly. We have reviewed these along with our three school rules in assembly and in class family time this week. For those of you who are new to us, our school rules are:

- Be safe: everyone should act in a way that keeps themselves and others from harm
- Choose kind: everyone should act in a way that makes others feel welcome, valued and included
- Work hard: everyone should try their best at all times

These rules apply to adults and children alike.

Meet The Staff

It was great to see so many of you at our meet the staff event. It is a great opportunity to put names to faces and ask any questions you might have.

Own Clothes Day

The children looked wonderful in their range of brightly coloured cultural clothing. Thank you for the generous donations. We have managed to raise £100 for the orphanage in Uganda. The orphanage was set up by a local man who sought asylum in the UK as a child. Miss Shah has visited the orphanage and met the children there and this week pupils have worked on a geography and art project connected with maps and the worlds continents, as well as looking at photos and finding out about the orphanage in assembly. We will also be sending some of the books from a reading scheme we no longer use to the children to help them learn to read.

Artsmark Gold

This week we celebrated being awarded Artsmark Gold from the Arts Council England. This recognises art as a specialism of our school. We are very proud.

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Here are some dates for your diary

- Jeans For Genes: Friday 23 September Wear jeans to school for a donation to charity
- Harvest Festival: Monday 3 October Send in tins of food or dry goods to donate to the foodbank at the Hub.
- Parents evening: Wednesday 19 October 3.30pm 7pm
- School photos: Monday 7 November
- Nasal flu vaccinations: Thursday 10 November

We are expecting to hold the postponed visit from Olympic athlete Jamie Hull this half term. The date is still to be arranged to fit around his training schedule but I will inform you as soon as I know.

You should also have received information this week about what your child is learning this term. We will share the outcomes with you at a sharing event after half term, when we will invite you in to look at and celebrate your child's work with your child.

After School Clubs

After school clubs start week beginning Monday 19 September 2022 You will receive letters next week for signing up.

- Monday: Coding club 3.30pm 4.30pm (Year 5 and 6), Singing Club 3.30pm 4pm (Year 3, 4, 5 and 6), Homework Club 3.30pm 4pm (Year 3, 4, 5 and 6)
- Tuesday: Boys and girls' football 3.30pm 4.30pm (Year 5 and 6), Cross Country 3.30pm 4pm (Year 3, 4, 5 and 6)
- Wednesday: No Clubs
- Thursday: Boys and girls netball 3.30pm 4pm (Year 5 and 6), Samba Club 3.30pm 4pm (Year 3 and 4), Origami Club 3.30pm 4pm (Year 3, 4, 5 and 6)
- Friday: Craft Club to start after half term

Sad News

We were all very sad to hear of the passing of Queen Elizabeth II yesterday. We have marked the event with 'class family time' and in assembly today. We recognised the devotion of her life to the service of the country and commonwealth and send our condolences to her family.

Kind regards

J Richens (Miss) Principal





