

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 7th September 2018

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD

Welcome back! It is so lovely to see everyone return safe and well following the Summer holiday.

As you will be aware there has been much going on and I appreciate the support you have shown us whilst the car park is under a mountain of building dust and work vans! It is so exciting to see the new classrooms taking shape but as is always the case there have been a couple of snags along the way – including hitting an underground pipe. This has caused delays whilst we wait for the pipe to be moved – this is being done on Monday next week and is likely to take 2 or 3 days. We have been reassured that there will be no interruption to our services and that it is perfectly safe to be on site. Once this has been moved the preparation of the site can be completed in readiness for the delivery of the final section which will happen the following week. Once the building is completely in place it is likely to take a further 3 weeks to connect it up and landscape the front for our youngest children to take over. There is a buzz as we move ever closer to the completion date!

It is also lovely to see children starting to wear our new uniform and sporting the new logo: children across KS2 are getting used to wearing their new ties and am sure will be able to put them on and off with ease before too long but we are very proud of how smart they all look.

We have also launched our new lunch system and although it has only been going a few days it so far seems to be very successful. The children are given a wide choice of options which are prepared using fresh salad, vegetables and fruit. The meals look appetising and the children seem to be enjoying them! Please do remember to order the meals online, even if your child is in receipt of Universal Free School Meals — you can book a day in advance or a half term in advance! The children are loving finding their name on the touch screen at lunchtime to see what they are having for lunch! If you have any difficulty in accessing your account, then please let the school office know.



Have a lovely weekend!



Lining Up

Whilst we have the whole school coming in through the back gate, please could you say goodbye and leave your child(ren) in their class lines at the start of the day and then move right back to the edge of the playground so that the children and classes are not crowded. Thank you!









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DON'T FORGET...

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to pre-order your child(ren)'s dinners using the new online system. Any problems, please let the school office know.

Our guitar teacher, Jack Muir, currently has spaces for those children who might wish to learn to play. If you are interested, then please contact him on the number below:

01767 226495



IMPORTANT DATES

Autumn 1

Monday 24th September 9.00 – 9.45am KS1 Meet the Teacher morning

<u>Tuesday 25th September</u> 9.00 – 9.45am KS2 Meet the Teacher morning

<u>Tuesday 16th October 4-6pm</u> Parents' Evening <u>Thursday 18th October 4.30 – 7pm</u> Parents' Evening <u>Friday 19th October 9.10am</u> Harvest Assembly

Half Term

Monday 22nd – Friday 26th October

Autumn 2

<u>Monday 29th October</u> Children return to school <u>Thursday 29th November</u> Grandparents' Breakfast <u>Thursday 13th December 2.30pm</u> Reception Christmas play

<u>Friday 14th December 11am</u> Pre-school Christmas play <u>Monday 17th December 9.30am and 5.30pm</u> Christmas play

<u>Tuesday 18th December 9.30am and 6pm</u> KS2 Christmas carols

Christmas Holiday

Thursday 20th December – Thursday 3rd January

Spring 1

Wednesday 2nd January INSET day

<u>Thursday 3rd January</u> Children return to school

<u>Thursday 10th January</u> Whole school pantomime

Message from Friends of Maple Tree

If you took part in the 10k summer challenge please can you return the form with the details of your activities and distance travelled by Friday 14th September, thank you.

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