



## General Information Newsletter 2022-2023

### Term Dates.

**The last day of Term 1 is Friday 21st October 2022. The school is closed for an INSET day on Monday 31st October and the children return for the start of Term 2 on Tuesday 1st November 2022.**

### Contact Details.

Please can you ensure that the school office is always notified immediately if you update any of your contact details e.g. mobile phone numbers. This is really important to ensure emergency contact arrangements are effective. Thank you.

### School Photos.

**On Tuesday 1st November our school photographers will be visiting to take individual photographs of the children. There will also be an opportunity for sibling photographs to be taken. If you would like a photo with pre-school siblings you will be able to come in before school from 8.00—8.30 am. Please can all the children have their school polo shirts/sweatshirts in school on this day, even if it is their PE day. Thank you.**

### School Journey.

Thank you to everyone who has continued to support us in helping to ensure the school journey is safe for all our children and families. It is greatly appreciated. **Please could we remind all drivers to ensure they are not parking or dropping off on the zig-zag lines outside the school gates. Please could we also ask drivers to not reverse into the adjacent closes to ensure the safety of our whole school community. Thank you.**

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all keeping well. We are now over a month into the new school year and it has been great to see the children enjoying their learning and working hard around the school. There will be an opportunity to meet with your child's new class teachers in November at our Parent Consultations and to talk about their learning and targets for the year ahead. More details will follow at the start of Term 2.

As we move into the Autumn and the weather becomes ever more changeable could we please ask that the children have a coat in school with them every day so we can continue to enjoy outside playtimes wherever possible. On the subject of playtimes we are looking forward to seeing our playground transformed during the October half term when we will have our new markings and games added to our newly re-surfaced playground. This will be a fantastic improvement for our playtime provision and will positively contribute to the children's playtime experience.

### PTA.

This week our PTA held their AGM meeting in school and were delighted to welcome new members to the committee. We are incredibly lucky to have an amazingly supportive PTA who are looking forward to organising a variety of fundraising events during the coming year. The PTA are always looking out for people who can help support them, either regularly or at individual events, so please do get involved if you can.

### Harvest Festival.

This year our Harvest Festival will take place on Monday 17th October. The children will be sharing in a special Harvest Assembly in the morning and we invite them to bring in a donation for our Harvest Collection. This year we will once again be donating our harvest produce to the local foodbank to support our community. We would be very grateful if the children could bring in non-perishable food items such as tins/packets on the morning of Monday 17th October. These will be collected at the gates on entry to school. Thank you in advance for your kind generosity in supporting our Harvest. We are very grateful.



### Prospective New Reception Mornings September 2023.

We have arranged two open mornings for prospective Reception September 2023 families. These will take place on Wednesday 9th and Thursday 24th November. There will be two sessions each morning:- 9.00-9.50 and 10.30-11.15 am. Please note the 9.00-9.50 am session on Wednesday 9th is already full. If you would like to visit the school on one of our open mornings please contact the school office. Please also let family and friends who may have children starting school next year know about the mornings. Thank you.

### Deadline for Secondary School Applications September 2023.

Please remember the deadline for our current Year 6 secondary school applications for September 2023 is Monday 31st October.

Please remember I am always available if you wish to discuss any aspect of the education and care we provide for your child. Thank you for your continued support which is greatly appreciated.  
Chris Davey.