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Dear Parents & Carers

Message from Mrs Majcher

We have had a very busy and industrious start to the year. It was lovely to meet lots of parents/carers at our 'Meet the Teacher' afternoon. I can see that our new handwriting and presentation policy is keeping the children's writing neat and joined. The timetable tweak has meant that we can fit three full hours of learning in the morning and two in the afternoon. It is great to see the children settled and learning by 9am each morning. Thank you for your support with these changes – each and every one is designed to raise standards.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

What a fantastic time we had. Mountains of cakes were donated by children, parents and staff. The hall was ready to accommodate lots of thirsty and hungry customers. It was great to see so many parents/carers, friends and governors stop by for a quick coffee and cake during their busy day. We raised an amazing £527.15. I would like to thank Mrs Williams who coordinated the event for us and all the staff for their support. I would also like to ask for the recipe of the Red Velvet cake – simply delicious!



Sickness/Diarrhoea

I would like to remind parents/carers that if your child has been sick or had diarrhoea, either at home or at school, they should not return until 48 hours from the last episode of vomiting or diarrhoea. This is guidance received from Bucks County Council and the Public Health Agency.



E-Safety Day

We had a fantastic day with Alison Watts, the CEOP ambassador. Speaking to the children, they enjoyed the day and felt that they had all learnt how to be better 'digital citizens'. Thank you to all those parents/carers who came in the evening to hear how to help their children stay safe online. Look out for our display.

Clubs

Our after-school clubs are starting on Thursday, 5th October. This term teacher run clubs are free, however, after Christmas we are introducing a £2 a week charge. A gentle reminder that clubs finish at 4.15pm.

Speak to the teacher

If you have any concerns, please speak to your child's teacher. Most of these concerns can be ironed out very quickly and effectively and, as the class teachers are with your child/children all day, they would be in a better position to do so. If they are not, then please

Hot Meals

A reminder that you need to order a hot lunch for your child before 9.30 am each day. Ordering can be done in advance weekly, monthly or even termly.

make an appointment to speak to Mrs Gonzalez, our Inclusion Manager or myself.



New Spelling Scheme

We shall be introducing the new spelling scheme very shortly. We shall be using the same scheme as the Infant School which will aid with continuity and progression. We hope you can continue to support your child/children in learning their spellings. A meeting for parents/carers will take place shortly.

Parent/Carer Consultation Evenings

Please look out for emails giving details of these evenings.

Volunteer Helpers

If you can spare some time please let us know. We are in desperate need of volunteers to hear readers. Some of our children are not heard read at home so being heard read in school is the only opportunity they get to read to an adult.



World Mental Health Day

Tuesday, 10th October will be a Mufti Day for the above cause. Please bring in a donation for this worthy cause, minimum £1. Children do not have to wear uniform and can wear an item of yellow clothing to mark the event. We hope you can help us to support this cause.



Emails

Some parents/carers have expressed concerns that not all parents/carers are reading their mail. This is a difficult one. Emailing letters is a quicker way to communicate as it stops letters getting lost or forgotten. Can I ask that you check your emails regularly.



Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 10 October	World Mental Health Day – Mufti Day
Wednesday 11 October	Extra provision Consultation Meeting – invite only School photograph orders to be returned by 9am
Monday 16 October	PTA Calendar photos- PM
Wednesday 18 October	Parent Consultation Evening 4-7pm
Thursday 19 October	Parent consultation evening 3.30-6.00pm
Friday 20 October	Harvest Festival @ 2.45pm
Monday 23 October – Friday 27 October	School closed for half term Break up for half term @ 3.15pm
Wednesday 15 November	Meeting for prospective parents @ 1.30pm

