

Newsletter - 10th September 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a great first week back we have all had. The children have come back in to school ready for the new year and have settled well into their new classrooms. You will have seen some of the changes that have been made over the summer break around the school. Year 2 outside area is awaiting a new fence, please do not let your younger children play with the resources in this area as they are set up for learning.

This week we welcome our new reception children into school. A very warm welcome to all our new families.

Meet the Teacher - Year 1 and Year 2

On **Wednesday morning** at 8.55am after drop off year 1 and 2 class teachers will run information session for parents/carers in the classrooms. Please allow the children to all go into class for registers first, they will then go into the hall for assembly and the class teachers will then open the classroom door again for you to come inside.

New Staff

A big welcome to our new teachers Mr Clark in Squirrels Class and Miss Trott in Hedgehogs Class. We also welcome Mr Francisco and Miss Hoare to the year 1 support team, Miss Bushall to the year 2 support team and Miss Hall to the year R support team.

ClassDojo

This year we will be using ClassDojo to strengthen communication between home and school. Through this app we will be able to send you updates about what is happening in school, reminders and photos of special events or learning. It is simple and secure and gives you a greater insight into the school day. Please see the welcome letter about ClassDojo and the permissions slip being sent home in a paper form.
Mrs Lucy Whiffin, Headteacher



NUT FREE SCHOOL

We are a **NUT FREE SCHOOL**, this is due to children with severe nut allergies. Please do not send any foods into school that contain nuts and read all food labels.

If your child has a nut product in their lunchbox they will not be able to eat this, and you will receive a green slip in the lunchbox explaining this.

Forest School

This year we are excited to still be able to offer forest school for our year 1 and 2 children. Miss O'Dea is looking forward to leading all these sessions. There is a change to the way these sessions will work this year.

Each class will now have their sessions blocked over 6 weeks, so classes will no longer alternate fortnightly sessions. Each class will have it every week for a 6 week block.

Owls Class and Badgers Class will have their 6 sessions this half term and Hedgehogs Class and Squirrels Class will have their 6 session after October half term.

Badgers Class will be on a **Wednesday Afternoon** and **Owls Class** will have their sessions on a **Thursday afternoon**. Children are to come to school dressed in their Forest School clothes on these days. Please see a separate letter about forest school at tomorrow's meet the teacher.

Owls first session is **Thursday 18th September**
Badgers first session is **Wednesday 17th September**

Dates for your Diary

More dates to follow soon

September

Wednesday 11th September —Year 1 and 2 Meet the Teacher @ 8.55am

Friday 27th September —Macmillan Coffee Morning in school hall 8.45—10.00am

October

Thursday 3rd October—SCHOOL CENSUS DAY

Friday 4th October—INSET DAY

Tuesday 8th October—Year R Six weeks in meeting

Monday 28th October—Friday 31st October HALF TERM

November

Monday 4th November—INSET DAY

Friday 20th December—LAST DAY OF TERM

INSET DAYS 2024—25

Friday 4th October

Monday 4th November

Monday 24th February

Monday 2nd June

Ordering Hot Meals

Please see attached letter about the school Census Day on **Thursday 3rd October**
We need as many children as possible to eat a hot meal on this day

Reminder that you need to order your child's hot meal 10 working days before they need them.