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Back to School



## NEWSLETTER FOR PARENTS/CARERS & GOVERNORS: SEPTEMBER 2016

Welcome back to a new school year! I hope you have had a great Summer. It was lovely to see the children return to school and they seem to be settling into their new classes very well. A warm welcome too to our new parents/carers and children who have joined our Reception class or other classes across the school. I look forward to meeting with parents/carers and getting to know our new children better as the year progresses. As usual we have a busy year ahead and I have attached key dates for Parents/Carers to this newsletter.

Best Wishes,  
Mrs Lavelle

### WELCOME TO NEW SCHOOL YEAR MEETINGS

This is a chance for the governors and I to meet with parents/carers and talk about school issues including a review of the previous year, current strengths/areas to improve and a reminder about some school policies and organizational procedures. I promise I won't talk for too long! (around 30 minutes) and then you will have the opportunity to meet your child's new teacher in their classroom and discuss the year ahead/ask questions. Parents/Carers found this very useful and informative last year. The meeting dates are as follows:

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September: Year 1 to Year 6 Parents/Carers, 5pm

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September: Reception Parents/Carers, 5pm *This was originally going to be on the 12<sup>th</sup> also, but to give Reception parents/carers more time with the teachers and to accommodate everyone in the hall, we have moved it to the 20<sup>th</sup>. If this new date is a problem for any Reception parents/carers, please let me know and we may be able to arrange an alternative.*

If you have children in more than one year-group, you will be able to attend two Class Meetings if you wish. Following your first meeting, make your way to your next child's teacher who will repeat their information session from around 6pm.

The meeting isn't for children so hopefully you will be able to arrange childcare. If this is an issue for anyone please let us know and we may be able to arrange something in school.

### KS2 BREAK-TIME CHANGE

In order to create a better learning experience for KS2 during the afternoons we have decided to have a longer lunch-time session and remove the afternoon break-time slot. This means that lunch-time will now run from 12 noon to 1.10pm and the afternoon session will start at 1.15pm once classes have been brought in from the yard and finish at 3.30pm as normal.

### MR WALSH & MRS PURVIS/MS ALLEN CLASSES

Mr Walsh is due to start Paternity Leave this Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> September. During the 2 weeks Paternity Leave period, Ms Allen will teach Mr Walsh's class Year 4/5 class. Mrs Purvis will teach her year 6 class full-time, apart from one or two afternoons when our regular supply teacher Mrs Matthews will take the class.

