

Friday News 15.09.23

The first full week back at school has been a very busy one. The pupils have knuckled down to their learning and are settling in exceptionally well. It is wonderful to see a school so full of happy smiling children who want to learn.

Year 2 trip

Year 2 are really looking forward to their trip next Friday. I look forward to hearing all about their learning when they return.

PTFA

I have had a meeting with Arwen - Chair of the PTFA today. We have scheduled some exciting events for this year. Please look out for information about these coming out soon.

Parents' Evening

Parents evenings are on the 10th and 12th October. Bookings will be open on Arbor from this afternoon.

We encourage parents who do not live together to book the same meeting. With an increase in the number of split parents, there will not be enough slots for everyone.

Author visit

We are very excited that we have an author (Steve Clifford) visiting the school on the 26th and 27th September. Years 1 to 6 will have a workshop with the author. He will share a story with Antarctica class. There is an opportunity to buy his books, please see previous email for how to order these and he will sign any copies after school.

MDSA

We are still looking for MDSAs (Midday assistants) to come and join our wonderful friendly team at lunchtime. If you are interested or know anyone who is interested, please speak to the school office.

Absences

We are in the process of reviewing our absence policy and procedures. As soon as this is ready, we will send it out to all parents so you are aware of our school policy. Just a reminder that if your child is off for a period of more than 3 days, Miss Prall in the office will be asking for evidence for this.

Harvest festival

The school will be celebrating harvest festival on the 2nd October at the church. We will be asking for any food donations closer to the time for elders of the village as well as for the church pantry. Look out for further information about this.

Early Birds and T-Birds

Thank you all for managing with the tweaks in the wraparound provision. It is working really well. The children are more settled as it is promoting a calmer environment. It has also been lovely to see some children using the time after 4:30 to read with an adult; a great use of their time in school. A reminder please to book in advance for birds. Any booking made after 4pm for the next day cannot be guaranteed as the provision may already be fully booked. You may risk being

turned away at the door. A reminder that any booking cancelled less than 48 hours in advance will not be refunded as we may have been able to offer that place to someone else. The T-Birds team can now be contacted directly if you need to speak to them urgently regarding collection of your child. The number is : [07762 022895](tel:07762022895)

Have a wonderful weekend.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "SBaker". The letters are cursive and connected.

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"Let the children come to me and do not stop them, because the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to them"

MATTHEW 19:14