



Dear Parents,

2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024

I hope you have had a lovely summer with your children. It was nice to see a bit more sun this year compared to the last. It was also great to see lots of smiling faces during holiday club through the summer break. Our club has been extremely popular with up to 30 children attending on certain days. We will now be advertising for a holiday club manager to lead our brilliant team.

We are looking forward to seeing many smiling, happy faces tomorrow morning. I am sure our new nursery and F2 pupils will look extremely smart for their first day of school. We will continue to have staff on each gate in the mornings to welcome you, including members of the senior leadership team.

In the summer, I wrote to you to tell you that Miss McAllister (Year 1) and Miss Davin (Year 3) will be joining our team. I have seen both frequently through the summer making their classrooms look brilliant for tomorrow's return. Miss Macdonald is also returning from maternity (F2) and will be teaching some of the children she taught in F1 last year. Miss Clifford will return as Mrs Ward after getting married during the summer – congratulations to her and her husband.

We have made further staffing appointments during the summer holidays. Mr Williams and Miss McKeown are joining the team as teaching assistants. Mr Williams has just completed a teaching degree and Miss McKeown arrives after several years working in another local school. We are extremely happy to have their skills added to our team. (This has meant that some of the teaching assistants have moved to different year groups).

## **PE Days**

Children can wear their PE kits from tomorrow if it is their PE day.

**Nursery, F1 and F2** – Thursday

**Year 1** – Monday and Tuesday

**Year 2** – Monday and Friday

**Year 3** – Monday and Wednesday

**Year 4** – Thursday and Friday

**Year 5** – Wednesday and Friday

**Year 6** – Tuesday and Friday

We have made a change to our uniform policy. PE tracksuits can now be plain black hoodies (overhead or zip up) and tracksuit bottoms (as shown). Some of the children began wearing these last year and they looked very smart. We feel that this is more readily available to our families, provides better value for money and will help with sizing. Can I please remind you that these must not be branded (Nike, Adidas logos etc.) as this can lead to children wanting designer items. If you have the old tracksuit that fits then children are still allowed to wear these.

Just like last year, we are creating an annual schedule of events for you so that you have as much notice about what is going on as possible. We aim to send this to you by the end of the week.

If I haven't seen you already, I look forward to saying hello over the coming days and thank you for your continued and ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

**Mr Milne**  
**Headteacher**

