



Newsletter 1 – 11th September 2020

We are all 'wonderfully made' by God and loved by Him just as we are.

What is coming up ...

- Friday 25th Sept – Archbishop Sentamu sports coaches with Year 6
- Monday 19th Oct – Bikeability classes all week for Year 6
- Friday 23rd Oct – Last day of Autumn 1 half term
- Monday 2nd Nov – Start of Autumn 2 half term

School lunches

A few parents have raised their concerns about the current school lunch menu and the lack of healthy options. Mrs Devaney will meet with the school cook and see what can be done to improve the choices available. Look out for an update next week! In the meantime, please ensure you have booked your child's meals on ParentPay for next week.

Birthdays in school

In the past many children used to bring in cakes or buns to share with their class when it was their birthday. Unfortunately, under the new guidance schools are having to follow at the moment, we cannot allow this to happen. Please do not send any food items in for your child to share as they will not be allowed to do this.

School bags

Lots of children have brought large bags to school this week. They do not need to bring large bags as they will not be transferring lots of things to and from school and they just clutter the classrooms. Please do not send them unless it is essential e.g. change of clothes for toilet accidents.

Playtime snacks

As we need to have staggered lunchtimes to keep the bubbles apart some children are eating a bit later in the day than they might be used to at home. Children in Nursery, F2, Y1 and Y2 have fruit provided for them already due to a government funded programme. However if you have an older child and you think they might get hungry in the morning you can send a piece of fruit for them to eat at playtime. Please do not send other food items such as sweets or chocolate. We are hoping to run our popular tuck shop again but it will have to be run differently this year and we are still planning the logistics of doing this safely. Will let you know when it is up and running.

Asthma inhalers

There are some children in school who are on our asthma register that have not brought in inhalers. **It is vital** that if your child has asthma they have their own inhalers to use as we do not have spares and cannot share inhalers. If your child no longer needs their inhaler please contact the office so we can update our records.

School Facilities

Please note that we are unable to let any parents or carers into the school building to use our toilet facilities. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Contact Details

Please don't forget to keep us up to date with any contact detail changes! We have tried to ring some parents this week and their mobile number had changed over the summer which then caused us problems in school as we had no way of contacting them about their child. We also need email addresses to help keep you updated on Class Dojo and ParentHub.

PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

Father God, we lift up our families to you today, praying for your presence in our lives. Give us the strength to face everything that we are facing and the grace to handle anything that comes our way. As we trust you, bring us closer to each other and closer to you. In Jesus' name, Amen!

Message from Mrs Devaney

Welcome back! It has been an unusual week – getting used to the new systems and routines needed to keep the school safe as it can be – but it has also been such a joyful week seeing the children back in school!

Children have been excited to be back with their friends and with their teachers and learning new things. One child told me that over the summer even the playstation was getting boring so being back at school was cool!

As the weeks go on we may have to make changes to ensure we are responding to government requirements but we will always try to give you as much notice as possible. Our main priority is the safety of our school community and I want to thank everyone for playing their part in that.

Please make sure you are signed up to ParentHub as this is where we share messages for the whole school. Class Dojo is also an important way you can

stay linked to your child's teacher so it would be good if you could join that too. The Admin Team can help you sign up to both if needed - 01482 376203.

Take care and stay safe, from Mrs Devaney