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Dear Parents /Carers,

Welcome to Term 1. It's great to see all the children return with such enthusiasm and looking so smart this morning. The new build has been moving at a very fast pace, a progress report with drone pictures has been sent out this week.

I want to bring attention a few reminders for the new academic year:

Attendance – You may have seen in the news that the new government are prioritising attendance with increased fines for absences.

Reminder- The doors open at 8:40am and the expectation is that children are in class ready to learn by 8:50am. The school gates will be locked at 8:50am and anyone arriving after this time needs to go via the main office as this will be recorded as late. Please do not access school premises to collect children before **3pm**.

There is an expectation that all children have an attendance of **95% or above**.

Each week the class with the best attendance are awarded a star. At the end of the term the class with the best attendance will have a non-uniform day.

Uniform – Reminder that children can wear all black trainers or black shoes. Please ensure that all uniform is labelled. We have already found an unlabelled jumper this morning! The uniform policy says white shirts /polo shirts for both boys and girls not red.

Earrings – Only studs can be worn – No Hoops or dangly earrings. Your child can not wear earrings for PE and these need to be taken out before



participating, ideally they should not wear earrings on days they have PE days. No other jewellery should be worn.

Smart watches are not to worn unless they can be disabled from using the internet and should not have a camera on them.

Scooters / bikes - It is great to see so many children riding to school. Please remember **not to** ride scooters or bikes on the school premises as this is dangerous. All children must dismount before entering the school grounds.

Water bottles - Children may have their own water bottles for use at lunch, but they will use school issue water bottles in their classroom throughout the day. Year 6 have slightly different arrangements for water bottles.

Reading - There will be more information about Phonics coming out on a separate letter. We are having broadband issues which is affecting some of our learning platforms including Accelerated Reader so children may not be able to get onto quizzes. We will let you know when it has been resolved.

School Office - A gentle reminder that the office opens at 8.15am, please do not ring or try to gain access before this time as calls will not be answered and the door will not be opened.

Clubs - will begin week 3 more info to follow. Sign up sheets will be out next week, days to be confirmed by text.

Forest school - will begin in week 3 with groups from Year 6 and 4. Year 2 will not start until after term 1 as we have a member of staff currently training to be a Forest school leader.

Wellies - As the weather gets more unsettled we would like all children to bring in a pair of wellies (named) to keep in school for use at playtimes.

Below are some of this term's important dates. We will also post this information on the Facebook page, via texts and emails. Please check website calendar for the whole year's events.

Thursday 12th September - Kent Test

Monday 30th September - Individual photos and family groups



Parent consultations- Wednesday 9th October 3:30-6:00, Thursday 10th October 3:30-6:00

Thursday 10th October- Harvest Service 10:00am (children only)

Tuesday 15th October - Class assembly Year 6

Monday 21st October -Friday 25th October - Black History Week

Wednesday 23rd October New year R (2025) parents show round by Yr 6 10:00-12:00

Friday 25th October -Non-uniform day £1:00 donation

Friday 25th October - Wow walk 2:45-3:15

End of term 1 Friday 25th October

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs E Pearson

