



Dear Parents

A warm welcome back to the new term and our first newsletter of this term. The children have made an excellent start back to the new school year. They are full of enthusiasm and excitement for their learning.

We have been very excited to start our first Daily Mile (a warm one!) this week. We plan to make this a twice weekly feature and it has been great to see the children approaching this with such positivity. We all know the benefits of regular exercise on our physical health and well-being and our Daily Mile is one way we plan to priorities this with the children this term.

You will see above that we the school is now on Twitter. You may not use Twitter regularly, it is really easy to set up an account on your phone or tablet and then allow notifications to get updates when we post something new. There will be regular weekly updates and photos from school shared via Twitter.

Lauren Murrey

Staffing

Miss Plumridge has been appointed as a Teaching Assistant to work in Osprey Class. Miss Plumridge will also be supporting the Breakfast Club and After School Club each week. We offer a warm welcome to Miss Plumridge and are pleased that she has made such a great start with us.

Parent Survey

Thank you to those parents that completed the Parent Survey at the end of the Summer Term. The feedback provided has been really helpful and will be shared with Governors at our new Local Governing Body meeting in the next few weeks. We are already working on some of the areas to improve including bolstering communication with parents. Our new Twitter account should keep parents better informed about the day to day learning in school and our Really Useful Card which has been sent with the Newsletter today provides all the dates for key school events for the year. I hope you find these useful.

Daily Mile

We will take part in the Daily Mile on a Wednesday and Friday each week. Please make sure that your child has trainers in school on those days. The children really enjoyed the Daily Mile yesterday Tom said "super easy and it was only two laps!"

Reading Rainbow

This year we will be starting a new initiative for reading called the reading rainbow. For every twenty reads the children complete at home, they will move up the rainbow and be rewarded with a certificate. We will also publish their names on the school newsletter. Only one read counts per day and parents/carers should sign reading diaries weekly. We will count the reads every Friday and present certificates at the celebration assembly on Friday afternoons. We would like all children to read a minimum of three times weekly at home.

School Lunches and Ordering

The children have enjoyed every last mouthful of their school lunches this week! Osprey class have enjoyed their responsibilities as lunch monitors and it has been lovely to see the whole school enjoying lunch together.

School lunches should be ordered one week in advance by 3:15pm on a Wednesday, reminders will be sent out each week and you are also welcome to order for each half term in advance.

After School Club and Breakfast Club

Both clubs are available to book for this term via SchoolMoney. The Imagination Station (TIS) club has 12 places available for each Tuesday & Thursday session and bookings are on a first come first served basis, you can book adhoc up until 2.00pm on the day. The Rise & Shine club offers 8 places every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, places are offered on a first come first served basis and bookings will close on SchoolMoney every Friday at 3pm for the following week.

Breakfast Club has been really well received by parents and children, it is a lovely relaxed environment in the morning for the children to have breakfast with their friends and get ready for the day ahead, Lillian said, "I love to see my friends and play, the food is amazing!"

Parent voice – Save the date

A reminder that we are going to host a parent meeting to discuss priorities for the school going forwards, and to ask parents to share their feedback on our values for the school.

The date for the meeting will be: **Thursday 30th September** and we will hold two sessions to allow as many parents as possible to attend. One at 3:30 and one at 6:00pm. It would be a great opportunity for parents to give feedback to the school and Governing Body so the school can move forwards and grow.