

Friday 10th September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is lovely to see the children back at school. Whilst it is amazing how much work I can get done in school during the holidays without the children in, it is a very strange and lonely place without them!

It has been great to be able to have them back in together. Having them all in the hall for assembly for the first time in 18 months was really special. It has also been so good to see them all outside playing together, mixing across age groups.

The Foundation Stage team are very proud of our new Oaks and Acorns (and those who have moved up to Oaks from Acorns). They have settled into their new settings so well and have all been 'superstars' this week. We were also delighted to welcome other new starters across the older year groups this week who are also settling in very well and making new friends.

As I put in Monday's letter most restrictions have lifted but as Devon is still an enhanced response area we will continue to wear face coverings in communal areas like the corridors and office at school and will keep visitors to a minimum.

In classes the children have been having lots of fun getting to know their new teachers and teaching assistants. They have spent most of the week focussing on routines and PSHE sessions. Next week they will launch properly into their new topics.

Reminders:

Please make sure your children's clothes, bottles and lunchboxes are named with labels or permanent pen not biro. We have some brand new jumpers in lost property already with no names on and no way of returning them to the correct owners.

Please make sure you book After School Club and Breakfast Club three days in advance and lunch by 8am on the day.

Please make sure you bring in your child's inhaler if they have one and hand it in to the office.

After School Club vacancy

We really need someone to work in After School Club on a Wednesday. It is on a supply basis due to it being temporary covering maternity leave at the moment. If you are interested, please let Becky or Rosie in the office know asap.

Online Safety

With today's newsletter we have attached an Online Safety booklet which includes an overview of key parental controls. This provides useful advice and guidance on how you can support your child in staying safe online.

Thank you for your continued support

Best wishes

Mrs Taylor-Bashford

Diary dates:

Monday 13th September – Science Club starts. Separate letter sent out.

Monday 13th September – Private music lessons restart in school with Mrs Marchant.

Tuesday 14th September – Stay and Play toddler sessions start. Separate letter sent out.

Friday October 1st – Sponsored bounce. Letters to follow.

Thursday October 21st – School disco

Stars of the week: Oak Class – Everyone!, Rowan Class - Kenny, Sycamore Class - Evie, Cherry Class - Isla, Maple Class - Adam, Beech Class – Mischa.