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Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the new school year. I hope you had a wonderful summer and made lots of memories with your family.

As usual, it's been a busy start to the year but I have to say, your children have been amazing. In the first week, I was blown away by their positivity and attitude to learning. I have shown a number of visitors around our school since we have been back and all have commented on how calm our school is and how focussed our children are – they really do make us so proud!

Our calendar of events is now online so please check this regularly to keep up-to-date with what is going on (they are also at the end of this letter in case you cannot access the online calendar).

Just a couple of reminders please:

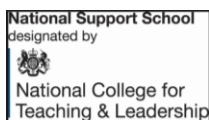
**Uniform and Jewellery** – our school policy is very clear about our expectations. Earrings are not permitted at school, nor are tattoos or nail varnish. Parents/carers will be asked to remove earrings before children come in to school. If you are worried about the holes closing, we have retainers available from the school office, which you can purchase for 50p.

**Payments** – at the end of last year I sent out a letter highlighting how the school was owed over £350 for lunches and breakfast club. The school is not in a position to cover this cost and therefore some actions have been put in place. If you need a copy of the letter sent out, with these actions on, please speak to our office staff but in a nutshell, if you have not paid for your child's breakfast club or lunch, then they will be unable to attend breakfast club or have a school lunch.

In addition, although we have a small amount of money allocated to support schools visits, we rely on parents to contribute towards the cost in order to allow us to give our children these brilliant experiences.

**PE Kits** – please can you ensure your children bring their PE kit to school on a Monday and leave it in school until the Friday. We are running very short on 'spare' kit and we would hate for any child to be excluded from PE sessions as a result of not having appropriate kit with them. You may receive a phone call on PE days if your child does not have their kit with them.

**Class Performances** – we are making some changes to the timings of our performances this year. Our classes have always performed a production at least once throughout the year with a performance at 2pm and 6pm. Over the last couple of years, it has been the case that not all children return for the evening performance. This has a significant impact on the performance itself as children have to step into roles they have not practiced. It also affects the experience of the audience. Therefore, this year, we will be trialling having both performances during school time, when we know our children will be here and thus eradicates the issue of them going home and then having to return. We will let



parents/carers know in plenty of time when their child's performance will be so that arrangements can be made for you/a family member to come and watch them.

I hope you understand the reasons why we are doing this and we hope that you will still be able to enjoy your child's performances at school.

Due to unforeseen personal circumstances, Mrs Richardson, our office manager, has had to leave our school. We wish her well and thank her for her kind, caring nature whilst she was with us. Mrs Osborne has kindly agreed to come and support us in the short-term until we can find a replacement – please bear with us.

### **Important Dates**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> Sept	All day	Class 1 and 2 visit to Street Life
	am	Class 5 to KCOM for 'Run With It'
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept	pm	IPC to Longhill
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10:00am	FS1 Teddy Bears Picnic (parents)
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> Sept	All day	Jeans for Genes (£1)
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	10:15am	McMillan cake sale (for Y5/6)
	am	Class 5 to KCOM for 'Run With It'
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> Sept	All day	Y5/6 residential
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> Sept	All day	Y5/6 residential
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> Sept	All day	Y5/6 residential
	10:15am	McMillan cake sale – whole school
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept	am	Class 5 to KCOM for 'Run With It'
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> Oct	All day	School photos
	All day	Y4 Parent Consults
	am	Class 5 to KCOM for 'Run With It'
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	All day	Y1 Parent Consults
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	All day	Y5 Parent Consults
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct	All day	Y3 Parent Consults
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct	am	Class 5 to KCOM for 'Run With It'
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> Oct	All day	Reception Parent Consults
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	All day	Y6 Parent Consults
	pm	Flu vaccinations – whole school
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct	All day	Y2 Parent Consults
	All day	Cross-country competition
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct	am	Class 5 to KCOM for 'Run With It'
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	4-6pm	Halloween Disco
		Break off for half-term

We look forward to working alongside you again in what we know will be another great year!

Yours Sincerely,

Mr S. Mills  
Headteacher