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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school after the summer holiday. We hope that your child has had a lovely break and they come back to school refreshed looking forward to an exciting new school year. A very warm welcome to all of the children and parents who are joining us in Reception this September and the new families who are joining us; we are really pleased to have you with us.

Swimming Pool

We are pleased that the swimming pool work is well underway and you will see that the new roof has already been installed. There is still a lot of work to do inside the building including the electrics, flooring and lighting but we are hoping that we will soon have an outstanding facility to use soon.

Meet the Teacher

The teaching staff will be available after school on September 10th between 3.30-4.30 pm for you to meet them, have a look at your child's new classroom and for you to discuss any aspect of your child's education. We really hope you will be able to drop in and meet your child's teacher in this informal setting.

Parents' Evenings

We will hold our parents evenings on October 14th and 15th between 3.30-6.30 pm. These sessions are to enable you and your child's teacher to discuss how well they have settled into their new class and the progress made so far. These sessions are very important and we encourage all parents to attend. Appointment sheets will be sent out nearer the time.

New Federation Structure

Last term we informed you about Mrs Allerston's change of role to non-class based Head of School from September 2014. It may be that on some occasions you will be asked to speak with her about things you may have spoken to Mr Smith about before. Please be reassured that if you want to speak to Mr Smith about any aspect of school life you can do this as previously. Mrs Roberts and Mr Easby are now our Assistant Heads of School.

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Class Collective Worship

As always, each class will lead a collective worship, where parents are warmly invited to attend, to share some of their learning. The first class collective worship of the year will be Kites on Wednesday October 22nd at 9.00 am. We hope that parents from the Kites class can join us.

Meeting for Prospective Reception Parents 2015

We will be holding our meeting for prospective Reception Parents on October 9th at 6.00 pm in school. If you know anyone who has a child due to start Reception in September 2015 please let them know about this event. We are not expecting to be oversubscribed again this year so it is likely that we will be able to take children further from the school than in previous years.

Phonics Workshops

We will be holding a phonics workshop at school on September 18th at 3.30 pm. This session is primarily aimed at our new Reception parents and parents of children in Key Stage One so they can help their child make excellent progress with reading and spelling at home. More information about this will follow shortly.

Harvest Festival

Our annual Harvest Festival service, led by Year Five, will be held on October 3rd 2014 at 9.30 am. All parents are welcome to attend this special occasion.

Holidays in Term Time

Our whole school attendance last year was excellent (96.7%) and well above previous years and the National average. Thank you for your support in helping us to achieve this. Can I please remind all parents that holidays in term time are not permitted and could result in fixed penalties or even prosecution. If there is an extraordinary reason why your child cannot be at school please don't hesitate to contact us.

Infant Free School Meals

Many children have ordered meals under the new Infant Free School meals. We want as many children as possible to enjoy the meals so please remember to logon to the Farm Kitchen website on the Tuesday before to the week you require the meals. Currently you will need to order meals by Tuesday 9th of September to receive meals for the week beginning 15th September. All Infant children (Reception, Year One and Year Two) should have been

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given login details. If you don't have a login details or access to a computer then please contact the school office.

If you have any questions at all about the meals please ask at the office.

Year Five Residential Meetings

We will hold a meeting for children in Year Five to give them information about the residential trip that they go on at the start of Year Six. This will be held in school on October 22nd at 5.30 pm. Please come along with your child to find out all about this exciting opportunity.

Important Term Dates

Thursday 4th September Children back

Friday 5th September WOW days

Wednesday 10th September Meet the teacher- 3.30-4.30

Wednesday 17th September Y6 Residential

Thursday 18th September Phonics Workshop 3.30

Friday 3rd October Harvest Festival 9.30 (Church)

Thursday 9th October Reception Open Evening 6.00

Tuesday 14th October Parents Evening 3.30-6.30

Wednesday 15th October Parents Evening 3.30-6.30

Wednesday 22nd October Residential meeting for Y5 parents 5.30

Wednesday 22nd October Kites Collective Worship 9.00

We are confident that your child will have a super start to the new school year. Please don't hesitate to contact us should you have any queries regarding your child's education.

Yours Sincerely,

Andrew Smith

Nichola Allerston

Executive Headteacher

Head of School

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