Autumn Term 8th September 2017



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the start of another academic year at WLPS—I hope you all had a lovely summer. It has been fantastic watching the children arriving this week looking so smart, keen and ready to learn. The atmosphere in the school, as I have been walking around, is calm and purposeful with the emphasis on learning. I would like to extend a special warm welcome to the parents and children who are new to our school. They have settled in really well with their new classes and are busy making lots of new friends.

I would also like to welcome our new site manager, Mr Lewis, to our team. Mr Lewis will be on the school gate at the start and end of the day and I am sure you will make him and all of the new people in our school community feel very welcome.

New office system

Over the holidays, we have had a new system added to the front doors. At the start and end of the day (8.30am-8.50am and 3pm-3.30pm) the main front door will be open in the usual manner should you need to come to the main office. At other times the door will be closed. To gain access to the building, please press the call button on the wall by the door and a member of staff will 'buzz you in'. There are occasions when a member of the office staff will be on the phone or passing on a message so won't be able to let you in straight away but we expect that to be in a minority of occasions.

Reminders

- Please ensure all belongings that your child brings to school are clearly labelled (several times for good measure). This should help us to keep out lost property mountain down to a small hill!!
- Please ensure that your child wears only small stud earrings to school and not hooped earrings • (regardless of how small the hoop is). This is to ensure that there are no accidents whilst they are active in school.
- Please, also, let us know if you have had any changes to your contact details, particularly your child's medical needs (asthma/allergies). Please ensure that you are aware of the expiry dates for any medication held in the school for your child. We also need to know if there are any changes to the adults who may collect your child from school as we cannot let them go with someone else without prior notice. We will be sending out the **Data Collection** forms for you to check over the next week so please let us have them back as soon as possible.
- Appleton parents' meeting is on Thursday 14th September for the current Year 6 pupils.
- Deanes School are having an Open Evening for parents of children in Year 6 on Tuesday 26th September from 6.30pm—9.00pm. There will be flyers coming out next week.

Mr W's Reading Challenge

Well done to those who took part in my reading challenge this holiday. There have been a mountain of responses and lots of the children have told me about the books that they read over the summer break. All the children that took part will receive Lego cards and the winners will receive a £10 book voucher. The winners will be randomly chosen by two year 6 children next week, so if you haven't returned the forms, please do so by Monday next week.

Congratulations to those who also took part in the Library summer reading challenge. The certificates are now sent to the family home rather than school so for all of you who have received theirs, can you bring them in for next Friday's assembly so that we can celebrate your achievements in front of the whole school.

Clubs

Young Voices choir with Mr Rawlins will begin on Tuesday next week after school (12th September). My running club will be starting on Monday morning at 8am.

Diary dates Football Club will start Weekly results on Wednesday & 11th Sept Running Club starts Deanes clubs start Thursday lunch times, Result Class League points with Netball Club Choir after school 12th Sept starting on Tuesday Turner Appleton school in for talk to 14th Sept lunch time. year 6 parents 9am Picasso Reception class group 1 staying for lunch Matisse Monet Reception class group 2 15th Sept staying for lunch Hockney Macmillian Coffee Morning 29th Sept **Attendance League** Goldsworthy Look out for the Dali Half Term Week 23rd 27th results of our first full Oct Whole school % Lead Class % since the start of week in the next 30th Oct Non-Pupil day the year newsletter

WLPS is committed to developing unique and ambitious children who make informed choices and are inspired to reach their greatest potential.'