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Friday 11th September 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to the new school year. I hope you have been keeping yourselves safe and everyone is eager to return to school.

We are beginning this academic year with a transition topic aimed at settling children back into school life called 'New Beginnings'. As part of this 'New Beginnings' topic, our learning is focused around 'Here We Are' by Oliver Jeffers. We will be using this book to explore the following: using poetry as a vehicle for expression, making sense of recent events, celebrating humanity and writing letters to a special person.

After our transitional topic, our theme is 'Awesome Architecture'. Our English and creative topics will be linked to the text, 'The London Eye Mystery' by Siobhan Dowd. During Maths lessons, we will be learning about place value and the four operations. In RE we will be learning about Buddhism and 'What it means to be a Buddhist?'. In Science we will be learning about properties and changes of materials. During PE we will be learning hockey and Dance.

For homework, your child will receive a green book with the homework menu from week 4 (w.c 28th September). Homework tasks should be submitted as it is finished, so it can be marked and returned. **Spelling tests** will be completed on a **Wednesday morning**. If your child has lost their list you may obtain another one from the school website.

PE lessons will be on Mondays and Tuesdays. Please ensure your child has appropriate kit for indoor and outdoor lessons. PE kits need to be brought to school on a Monday. We will not be attending swimming lessons until further notice. We will inform you, in a separate letter, when swimming will begin.

Every day your child brings home a reading book which they are expected to read at home daily. I suggest that you listen to your child read at least three times a week, each time signing their reading record – this will vastly improve their reading and writing skills.

If you would like to arrange an appointment or a phone call to discuss any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact the office to organise a suitable time.

I look forward to working with you to support your child on their learning journey.

Kind regards

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