



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! It has been wonderful to have so many children back in school. Everyone seems so positive and happy to be back, including the staff!

I have been updating our Risk Assessment in line with the most recent Department for Education guidance. Our [website](#) has a handy page dedicated to our return this term. We really hope that everyone is going to support us in ensuring that we keep all children and staff safe during this turbulent time. We have unfortunately had to make the difficult decision to postpone all external clubs. I would urge all parents and carers to follow government guidance when you're home this weekend so that we can continue to keep everyone safe please.

Thank you for your patience as we continue to review drop off and pick up on both sites. Keep an eye on Class Dojo for updates if we have to change anything at short notice.

The children are hopefully excitedly telling you all about their new class and have been sharing their learning with you. Our focus over the next few weeks is to settle everyone back into learning. We are concentrating on Personal, Social and Health education, also known as PSHE. The children are learning about healthy relationships, setting their class rules and routines and also how to keep themselves safe online. We will be assessing the children over the coming weeks and teachers will be arranging a telephone conversation with you to discuss how your child is settling in. This will be before half term, more information to follow. There won't be any face to face meetings for the time being.

I would like to welcome our new members of staff to our team. Our new teachers are as follows: Ms Carmody is with Elm Class, Miss Southern is with Maple Class, Mrs Duffin is with Redwood Class and Mr Rowe is with Yew Class. We have appointed new learning support assistants during the holiday too. Miss Munday has joined Cherry Class, Miss Humphries has joined Year 1 and Ms Woodley has joined the Year 6 team. Ms Davey and Mrs Cicciu have joined the Middy Meals team.

If you need to speak to the class teacher about anything, you can contact them via Class Dojo or call the office and request a call back. If the class teacher is unable to help you please contact our phase leaders. Miss Kelly leads EYFS (Pear and Reception); Miss Francis leads Key Stage 1 (Year 1 and 2); Mrs Hooper leads Lower Key Stage 2 (Year 3 and 4) and Mrs Marris leads Upper Key Stage 2 (Year 5 and 6). Miss Williamson is our Inclusion Manager for the Lower site and Miss Burrows is based on the Upper site.

My senior team now consists of: Mr Andrews, who is based on the Lower site; Mrs Roberts and Mr Stockton, who are based mainly on the Upper site. All of us are contactable via the school office if you need further support.

And finally...Well done to Gabriel, Advay and Lacey as they have received the very first Headteacher Awards of the year. I am looking forward to awarding more next week! We will share our attendance information from next week.

Here's to a successful Autumn Term 2020! Enjoy your weekend.

Mrs Trudy Emberson, Headteacher