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Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you and your family had an enjoyable summer break and are looking forward to the new term. Please find attached a letter from Mr Parker; all staff would like to thank Mr Parker for his generous donation to the school of books which can be used in the classroom to enrich provision.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your best wishes and support in my new role as Headteacher. I look forward to working with you all during the coming months.

A reminder that the times of drop off and collection are different for the different years in school. The attached **guidance for parking** diagram includes a table of drop off and collection times. The youngest children (without older siblings) may arrive later and leave earlier in an attempt to stagger the number of cars in the village and thus help with parking. We thank you for your continued patience and consideration in parking in the vicinity of the school.

A further reminder that the registers for years 2-6 close promptly at 9.05am, any child in those years arriving after that time should be signed in at the office by their parent / carer.

Please find attached a **calendar of events** for this half term. Any changes or additions to these dates will be announced in the newsletter. I hope many of you will be able to attend the **Parents' Curriculum Evening** on Wednesday 13th September at 7pm in the Cedar Hall, where homework arrangements and expectations for all children in years Reception to 6 will be discussed. **Swimming** commences on Monday 11th for children in years 5 and 6, letters were sent home yesterday, please return permission slips by tomorrow.

Term dates for this school year are also attached. Parents are reminded not to take their children out of school during term time. Applications for authorised absence are available in the school office and must be completed as soon as the need for an application arises, thank you.

Further to the letter about school meals sent out in July, please find attached a copy of the **autumn term menu**. Please advise the office as soon as possible if your child's meal pattern has changed from last year. Children in years Reception, year 1 and 2 will continue to receive Universal Infant Free School Meals. The cost of a school lunch for years 3, 4, 5 and 6 is £2.30, payable on Parent Pay. If parents are in receipt of certain benefits they may be eligible for Free School Meals, forms are available in the office.

A reminder to parents of children in year 6 that the deadline for applications for high school is 31st October, further information available in the school office.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs E Nayler

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PARENT PAY

A polite reminder that payment for September school lunches for children in years 3, 4, 5 & 6 is now due, £43.70 per child. School meals should be paid for in advance.

Would all parents please keep their Parent Pay accounts in credit and clear all outstanding items at the end of each half term.

Parents of children new to the school will receive their Parent Pay log in details next week.

Thank you

CLUBS UNTIL HALF TERM (Teacher led, no charge)

GARDENING CLUB—years 1 & 2, Tuesday lunchtime from 19th Sept with Mrs Burgess

COOKING CLUB—years R, 1 & 2, Tuesdays 3.30 - 4.30pm from 19th September with Miss Fox, booking essential, see separate letter

FOOTBALL CLUB—years 3,4,5 & 6, Tuesdays 3.30 - 4.15pm from 26th September with Mr Corrigan

ALL YEAR ROUND CLUBS (Please pay on Parent Pay, no need to book)

BREAKFAST CLUB—Years Reception to year 6 from 8am, breakfast provided, £2 per child

CEDAR CLUB—Reception to year 6, Mon, Tue, Wed until 5.30pm in Cedar Hall, £3 until 4.30pm, £4 until 5pm, £6 until 5.30pm

THURSDAY SPORTS CLUB—Reception to year 6, Thursday until 5pm with Mr Finch, £4 per child

TERM DATES

School closes for half term—Friday 20th October at 3.30pm

School re-opens—Monday 30th October

School closes for Christmas—Friday 22nd December at 2pm