



Dear Parent/Guardian,

A big welcome to all our new children and their families who have started in Reception. The staff have been so impressed with the children and how quickly they have settled, so thank you for preparing them so well for a successful start.

### **Twitter**

A reminder that there is a school twitter feed on the front page of the school website. This is regularly updated with pictures of what is going on in school and might provide you with some clues about what the children have been doing.....if you ask them, they may say 'nothing'. You do not need to be registered on twitter to be able to access this.

### **Summer Reading**

Well done to all the children who have completed the Summer Reading Challenge. We have had 31 children complete the challenge so far, but we know that another 31 of you started the challenge. You can still complete the challenge this weekend collecting the gold medal and you have until Sunday 15th, so why not pop to the library this weekend. We are currently in third place amongst the schools in Exeter for children finishing and getting the medal! Wouldn't it be great if we could be first or second!

### **On The Run!**

Due to the success of our running track and tracking the children's laps on the Premier's Golden Mile website, we have decided to open it up to families. Every Tuesday from 3pm you can collect your children from their classes and run/walk/jog around our running track.

Your laps will be recorded and you will receive certificates for each milestone you reach.

Then at 3:15pm you take your children back to their classroom to pick-up their belongings; please use the external classroom doors.

Each half term we will announce which families have had the best attendance and run the most miles and they will receive a prize! This term we have a £30 voucher for Tesco and Sports Direct...so come along for a chance to win as well as get a bit fitter!

### **PE Kit**

A quick reminder that all children need their PE kit in school. This should be a plain white T-shirt and plain black or navy shorts with plimsolls or trainers for outdoors. Children whose classes are swimming will need to bring swimming trunks or a swimming costume. Children who are doing outdoor learning sessions will need to bring old clothing suitable for getting muddy! Timetables should be in the homework diaries so that you know which days things are needed.

### **Looking for Books!**

Please could you have a search at home for any books that belong to the school. We know that in busy family life, books often get misplaced, but we would be really grateful if any reading books or library books could be returned. We don't mind how long you have had them...we will just be glad to see them back. Give them to the class teacher or pop them into the library.

### **Curriculum**

The maps showing what each year group is learning about is on the school website. Each year group has a map for the whole year and we have included the books they will be studying as well as trips they are going on. You will find them on the parents tab, under curriculum. I hope that you find this information useful.

### **Heatree meeting**

There will be an information meeting for parents of Year 6 children who are going to Heatree this year on Wednesday 25th September, straight after school in 6W.

### **Flu Vaccinations**

Don't forget to fill out the online consent form if you wish your child to have the flu vaccination. The deadline has been extended to 29<sup>th</sup> September. Children will only be given the vaccine if the consent form has been completed.

### **Secondary School Applications (parents of Year 6 children)**

Reminder: The application process for secondary school places is now open. The deadline for submitting your application is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019.

### **Dates for the Diary**

Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	Heatree parents meeting, after school in 6W
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 1 trip to Lyme Regis
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	Theatre Alibi visiting
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	Sport for Schools event: an athlete is visiting Willowbrook
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> -Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 6 Residential to Heatree
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> October	Whole school Dodgeball event
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> & Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Parents evening
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	Times Table Rockstars dress up day
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Flu vaccinations
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> – Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Half Term
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	Skip to be Fit event
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Non-pupil day
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception Nativity time TBC
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Carol Concert time TBC
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery Nativity time TBC
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Carol Concert time TBC
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of term