



## Weekly Note

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**Monday, 12 September 2016**

#### PTA

The AGM for our very active PTA will be held in the school assembly hall on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2016**. We would like as many parents as possible to attend and if there are any new parents who would like to become part of our PTA and help raise much needed funds for the school please let us know on the night. There are many roles within the PTA with varying levels of commitment so if you have a little time you could spare to help please consider helping out, your support is greatly appreciated.

#### Data Collection Forms

Data Collection forms are being sent home for each child today. Please check the forms carefully, sign and return them to the office with any necessary amendments **by this Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September**.

#### Year-Long Permission Slips

Please remember to return the year-long permission slips for your child if you haven't already done so. Extra copies can be made available by the school office, please contact Miss Capatti.

#### Sign-in / Sign-out register

We would please ask all parents dropping their children in school or collecting them at any time other than the beginning and end of the school day to please call in the office to fill in our Sign-in / Sign-out Register. This is an **essential** health and safety requirement in order to know which children are in school at any given time and your support in this matter will be much appreciated.

#### Coats and Jackets

Please ensure your child wears a coat to school **every day**. Children may take part in a range of outdoor activities during their school day and it is essential that they bring a coat to school every day especially now that the winter is approaching and the rain will be more frequent. Thank you.

#### Gardening Club

All our green fingered gardeners will need to get prepared for their club this week. A trip to the pound shop might be needed for some gardening gloves to protect our green fingers and a small trowel or fork for digging and weeding in the school garden.

### **Snack time**

Children need to bring a healthy snack to school for break times to meet with our healthy eating policy. Please ensure your child has a piece of fruit or some chopped vegetable for their snack for them to eat at this time. Yogurts and other items are more suitable for lunch times.

### **Payments to School**

Please ensure your child makes payment to their class teacher using an envelope, clearly marked with their name and what the money is for. Please provide payments for different items in different envelopes, which are available to buy from the school office. **No money should be left in the office.**

### **Clothing Bank**

There is a clothing bank within the grounds of the school which helps the school generate some funding and also provides much needed clothing for charities. The clothing bank is emptied monthly and has been fairly empty over the summer months without anybody at school. If you are having a clear out or have some clothes you have grown out of please remember to send them into the clothing bank. Your support is greatly appreciated – every little helps!!

### **Credit Union**

The Credit Union will begin the savings scheme in school again this week. New members are very welcome and existing members should bring their card and savings to school on a Friday in order to be banked. Application forms to open a new account are available from the school office.

### **After School Clubs**

After School Clubs start today **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September**. The cost of the Clubs is £3 per child, per week for all children in Reception to P7, and this grants access to all the activities taking place during that week. Families with more than one child at the school will pay £2 per child, per week. Please send in your payment **on a Monday**, in an envelope clearly marked.

### **P1 and Reception Photograph**

A photographer from the local newspapers will be visiting the school on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September** to take a photo of our P1 and Reception children. Please ensure your child wears the full school uniform on that day. Details of the publication date will follow.