



Forward March!

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*With God's help
we will
live kindly,
love each other,
learn and
laugh together!*

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been wonderful to welcome all the children back to school this week: so many have grown over the summer! A big welcome to our new reception children who have all been in since day one and have settled so well making new friends all around the school.

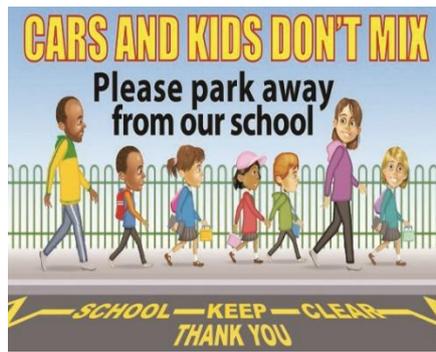
We hope you had a fantastic break with your children and enjoyed some of the sunshine we managed to get. It has been great to see that the children are refreshed and ready for the new academic year. The building has been a hive of activity over the summer and it was wonderful to witness the excitement that each child had entering and settling into their new classes. The school feels alive again and I can assure you that the hard work has already begun.

Thank you on behalf of all of the staff and myself for the wonderful cards and gifts which parents very kindly gave before the summer holidays. They were all very much appreciated and I've seen a number of staff sporting personalised items of which they are all very proud.

Just a quick reminder to everyone regarding uniform; the full list can be found on the school website. Please, please label everything with your child's name. On day one we managed to acquire a pile of unlabelled brand new clothing. Whilst your child may have one set of uniform at home, we have 210 sets here which can be found just about everywhere. Please can parents ensure that children have the correct uniform; KS2 pupils need to ensure that their ties are in school at all times. Can I also make a plea about hair? **Long hair should be tied back. The latest craze for Jojo bows are not on the uniform list.**

Some pupils have also returned wearing jewellery. As a reminder, pupils may wear stud earrings, however the pupil MUST be able to remove these themselves for PE lessons otherwise they will not be allowed to take part.





Road Safety

We have had a number of road safety issues over the last few weeks which we need parents to be aware of. First, we have a lot of cars parking across our neighbours driveways and the only crossing point we have, which is resulting in parents with prams having to walk in the road and children having to cross between cars.

Please make sure that you park considerably around school and that young children are supervised on the roads. We know that parking is incredibly difficult at the moment with more cars parked at the end of Claypit Lane but please work as a team to ensure that our March Children are safe even if it means we have to drive further away and walk in.

Nut free school

Can we remind all parents that The March is a nut free school as we have children here who, if they were to even come into contact with someone with nut oil on their hands, would be very ill indeed. Please make sure that no products containing nuts are brought into school in sandwich boxes etc.



Please check Inhalers are in date.

Even if your child hasn't had an asthma attack in a long time, please check that school has an inhaler which is in-date for your child.



Coats needed now!

As autumn starts to set in, please remember to send your child to school in a coat as we have had a number of children come to school in a car without one and then complain of being cold at playtime.



Year 4

I am Warrior Stunning Start

As part of our stunning start our class were divided into Celt and the Roman armies. As the Romans invaded the Celts needed to try to protect their land. We had lots of fun attacking and defending!



Year 5 Mysterious Mayans

Year 5 began their topic with a visit from the History Man, looking at artefacts from the Mayan period. Children sketched and shaded tools (made from volcanic glass) and pottery. They had to be really careful when handling these tools as, despite them being hundreds of years old, they are still very sharp! Children also learnt to write their name using the Mayan alphabet and took part in a question and answer session to discover the similarities and differences between the Mayans and Anglo Saxons

Year 3

On Monday 11th September, Year 3 launched their Predator topic with a visit from Owls about Town. The children were treated to a Parliament of Owls ranging from Hazel the European Eagle Owl to Wizard the British Barn Owl. The children learnt a great deal about the individual owls they met, their diets and some fascinating facts. There was a

wonderful opportunity to feed the owls, hold them and watch them fly throughout the hall. There was a great deal of excitement amongst the children and lots of fun was had by all.



Reception



We had a very exciting day on Monday in Class R when King Richard's knight came to help us. We have been trying to find out if dragons still exist and what to do in case we should meet one!

Sir Knight had some very good advice for us. He explained that some dragons do exist in hot countries (Monitor and Bearded Dragons) but not here. He also told us that it was far better to try and tame a dragon and the way to do it is to blow into their nose and whisper "You are under my power now"



Since Sir Knight's visit, we have been practicing our 'Dragon whispering' technique and we're getting very good at it now!

A great day was had at Goodwood Revival

Dressed as Evacuees, year 6 sang with gusto as they walked crocodile- file through the grounds of Goodwood. They created lots of attention singing in the Officers Mess, the pilots tent, outside the GI area and at many other areas. One of the highlights was climbing into a Dakota and imagining they were flying; another was dancing the 'big apple' on the dance floor. Considering the weather was cold and wet, they sang beautifully and were enthusiastic throughout the day.



Year 6 visit Tangmere Museum

The children impressed the organisers of Tangmere Museum last Friday with their knowledge of WW2 and aeroplanes. They were so interested in researching information on the Special Operations Executive and the well known pilots based at Tangmere during the war. Again their enthusiasm shone through for the subject, impressing other visitors to the museum. They were great ambassadors for the school.



Year 2 Turrets and Castles



The Children in Yr 2 had an amazing day at Arundel castle, they walked for a long time and their enthusiasm for learning new facts was amazing! They visited the great hall and kept a keen look out for the Duke of Norfolk! Well done Year 2 you had a fantastic day and behaved so well!!

Past Pupils

It is always so wonderful to hear from old pupils. Here are some of our lovely Year 6's from last year in their New High school uniforms that they have sent or emailed in. It was also great to hear from the other side of the world and know that Sam and Joe are settling into their new school in Beijing. We wish you all the best and look forward to hearing about your wonderful journeys through the future.





Internet game Alert!!

Did you know that some children have been talking about a Game called **Five nights of Freddy?**

This is a game that cannot be accessed at school but maybe accessed at home. It is a free download and is very scary

WHAT PARENTS NEED TO KNOW

Parents need to know *Five Nights at Freddy's* is a horror game that uses tension and jump scares in place of blood and guts -- and, as a result, is a lot scarier than many other titles. The sense of being trapped and defenceless in a small office quickly becomes real -- and when the animatronic characters jump out at you, you'll jump (and maybe scream). This makes the game much too intense for younger kids .

This link will give you more info and we encouraging you to not let you child play this! It has a rating of 12+ and its heading says "Terrifying psychological thriller is too much for kids."

<https://www.common sense media.org/app-reviews/five-nights-at-freddys>