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## *One family branching out together*

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Dear Parents/Carers,

# WELCOME BACK!

We hope you've all had a fantastic summer and are ready for a more stable year ahead. It has already been such a wonderful, positive start to the new academic year. It was lovely to see everyone back in school and to welcome our new children into Class 1: Elsie, Teddy, Indey, Irving and Vincent. With the easing of restrictions, we hope to be able to invite families back into school soon for worships, coffee mornings and more.

We would like to say a huge congratulations to Miss Lamb, who got married in the summer holidays and is now Mrs Sykes.



## Attendance update from Mrs Thornton

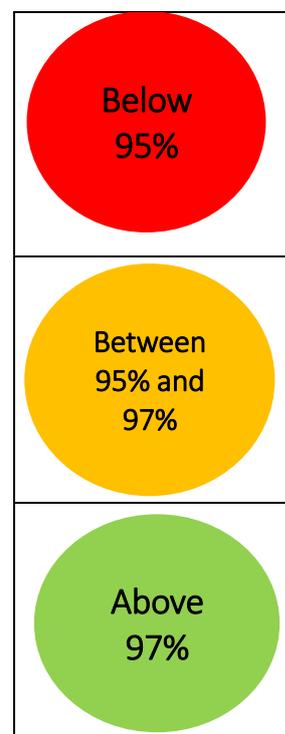
I hope you have had a restful summer break. As we have an uninterrupted term ahead, I look forward to working towards good attendance from all.

### **Attendance top tips**

- Figure out the reasons for absence as this can help you understand where your child needs support in overcoming barriers to attending school
- Try to establish a good routine early so that when your child does start school, they are in good habits such as getting plenty of sleep
- If appointments are needed for health reasons, try to make them during after school hours or out of term time where possible
- Offer support with homework and take an interest in their learning
- Attend parents' evenings to discuss your child's progress
- Take trips during school holidays rather than term time
- Don't allow your child to stay off school for a minor ailment
- Ensure your child has a good understanding of why attendance is important

### **As a school, .....**

- We will be using a traffic light system to monitor the attendance of the pupils across the federation.
- We will share full class attendance data on the fortnightly newsletter and celebrate achieving the 97%.
- We will reward children half termly for 100% or most improved attendance.
- We will support parents and families who are experiencing difficulties.



If you feel your child or family need advice and support, please contact me on:

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### Communications toolkit

Mrs Thornton has put together a 'back to school' communication toolkit with useful contacts for you to access. Please find it on our website with the following link:-

<https://www.chapelhaddleseyschool.org.uk/news/2021/september/communications-toolkit>



### Book amnesty

Could we please ask that you check at home for any banded reading books that belong to school? Class 1 in particular have lots missing that would have been sent home in the last academic year.



### Reading records

The reading records that your child brings home from school are for you to write any comments about your child's reading. They are to be used as a communication tool between school and home to support your child with their reading.

### Free Gardening Equipment

Morrisons have launched their 'It's Good to Grow' scheme that donates gardening equipment to schools. We have registered our school to take part in the scheme again this year. If you shop at Morrisons, all you need to do is download the MyMorrisons app, go to the *It's Good to Grow* section and select our school to donate your tokens directly. One token is given for every £10 spent in store or online. Tokens can be collected between 6<sup>th</sup> September and 24<sup>th</sup> October.



### Breakfast club

Could we please remind families that if you would like your child to have food at breakfast club, we ask that they are dropped off no later than 8.20am to give the breakfast club team enough time to prepare the food and tidy away, ready to be in classrooms by 8.50am.

### Parent consultations

We will return to face-to-face parent consultations this year, although social distancing will still be in place. The Class 1 and Class 2 consultations will take place week commencing 27<sup>th</sup> September and the Class 3 consultations will be week commencing 4<sup>th</sup> October. Details of time slots and how to book an appointment will be made available early next week.

### Donations

We have a few requests for donations of items for use in school. Class 1 have asked if anyone could donate outgrown children's dressing gowns that would fit Class 1 children. Mrs Hall has asked for donations of jam jars and plastic 4-pint milk bottles for forest school activities.



### Training days



Following the announcement of the additional bank holiday for the Queen's Jubilee which will fall in the half term holiday in May, the academic year will now finish one day earlier so that schools benefit from the additional day. As 26<sup>th</sup> July was already earmarked as a training day, our training day has now moved to Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022, the first day back after the Easter holiday. Please see the school website for the updated calendar dates.

### Drinks in school

It is essential with the current period of hot weather that children please bring in a **plastic** water bottle daily. These can be refilled throughout the day at our plumbed-in water station. Please only send in



water and not juice etc, as this goes against our Healthy School's policy which can be found on the school website. **Please do not send in glass bottles or the brittle plastic water bottles that easily crack if dropped.**

Outstanding ParentPay debts

Across the federation, there is an agreed maximum debt per child, which is £30.00. This includes any nursery fees, school dinners and out of school club payments. Please keep an eye on your child's account and make payment as soon as possible, thank you.



Pupil absences



It is really important that you please make sure you telephone or email the school before 9.15am to notify us of any child absence, with a reason for their absence, even for Nursery children. Equally, we ask if your child is unwell and you have called on the first day of their absence, we also require a call on **each subsequent day** until they are well enough to be back in school. If we don't receive any communication, by phone or email, we start our process of contacting all of the contacts allocated to your child and if we still haven't received any information, the Children Missing in Education protocol is triggered. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Medicines in school

If you require your child to have medicine administered during the course of a school day, please complete a 'Parental Request for Medicine in School' form, available from the School Office and the school website. We are not allowed to administer any medicine without this being completed fully and signed by a parent/carer and the Headteacher/Head of School. If your child requires a course of antibiotics for example, over a period of a few days, please ensure that the medicine is handed directly in to the School Office each morning. Whilst we can administer Calpol (or similar Paracetamol-based medicines), we are not insured to administer any Ibuprofen medication sent in, unless this is prescribed by a doctor.



Car Park reminder



When parking in the Community Hall car park we ask that all families reverse park into the spaces as this gives better visibility when moving around. Now that Miss Hannah is back in the Community Hall for dance lessons, could we please remind families not to park in her reserved space on the days listed on the sign.

Mrs Lindley  
Deputy Federation Headteacher

Diary Dates

Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-uniform day</li> <li>• Break-up for half term</li> </ul>
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Back to school</li> </ul>
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Break-up for Christmas</li> </ul>
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School closed – training day</li> </ul>



