



Dear Parents

Welcome back to a new school year. The children have all settled back into school today, buzzing with exciting stories of their summer holidays. I hope you have all managed to have a restful break as the new term has already got off to a busy start, with Bikeability for Year 5 and 6 and swimming for years 3 and 4 all starting next week.

As you may have seen the contractors when passing the school, have worked tirelessly over the summer to get the school back into working order. I am hugely grateful to the working party of parents that came in to help decorate red and green classes and the lower corridor at the start of the holidays. Many thanks to Tony Hughes, Steve Green, Holly Wood, Claire Taylor, Jane Crabb and Tracy Holttum. Thanks also to all the staff that came into school over the six week break to clear the whole school out into containers and then help put it all back together again!

We now have new airbricks fitted that will not allow water in and flood barriers for every door in the school making us more flood proof than ever before.

Your fundraising over the past year has funded a new children's cookery area/staff room which is very nearly complete and ready for use. We will be building in many opportunities for all of our children to cook over the coming year.

After the devastating flood last term, we are all very proud to see our freshly painted and carpeted school looking so new and welcoming in readiness for the exciting school year ahead of us.

This week we welcome our new children to Blue Class along with a new pupil to Year 6. We also have two new teachers Miss Hannah Dawson (Yellow class) and Mrs Laura Proudman (Blue Class).

Can I also remind you that there is **NO** parking on the track for parents, relatives or friends dropping off or collecting children at the start or end of the school day. Parking is always available at Quob Stables (opposite the school) or the Memorial Hall.

REMINDER – WE ARE A NUT-FREE SCHOOL

As we start the new school year, can I just remind you that we do not allow any children to bring nuts into school, or products that contain nuts. We currently have three children and a member of staff with a severe allergy to nuts.

If you feel that we may need to update our records with any new medical condition for your child, or contact details, please could you speak to your child's class teacher or the school office.

I will be sending out letters regarding the diary dates for the coming school year and after-school activities over the coming few days, however recorder lessons will begin **this Friday** with brass and woodwind **next Thursday**.

Our new school website is online, and will be completely updated over the coming fortnight. We hope you find it more user friendly.

Yours sincerely

Kirstie Baines **Headteacher**

