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## *Working Together in God's Hands*

Dear Parents

A very warm welcome back to school. We have a very busy term ahead and it is lovely to see the children buzzing with enthusiasm. We are delighted to welcome our new Reception children as well as new children into Classes 2, 3 and 4. We have introduced a new format to the school day, breaking the morning into 3 sessions, followed by 2 sessions in the afternoon. Pupils and teachers have responded well to this new timetable and working extremely productively.

### **Data Collection Sheets**

Data collection sheets have been sent home with all children today. Please could you check and, if necessary, amend the details on the form and return to the school office by Friday 22 September? It is crucial that we have your correct contact details in school at all times.

### **Music Lessons**

Instrumental lessons commenced this week. Strings lessons will take place on Wednesday mornings with Mrs Naomi Mitchell and Woodwind lessons (including recorders) will take place on Wednesday afternoons with Mrs Naomi Muller. Please may we remind pupils to ensure that they have their instruments in school on Wednesdays.

### **Celebration Worship**

A reminder that parents, carers and friends are invited to join us for Celebration Worship in the hall on Friday mornings from 9.10am.

### **Reception Class**

On Friday 29 September, Reception Class children will be going into Celebration Worship for the first time and their parents are welcome to join us. Immediately after Worship, there will be a *Read Write Inc* workshop for the parents of our Year R children where you will have the opportunity to be introduced to the methods and resources of this reading scheme. Following this you are invited to a coffee morning hosted by the PTFA. We hope that you will be able to join. If you are unable to attend, there will be hard copy information made available.

### **The Drop Off**

Sywell's new breakfast and after school club, The Drop Off, is now up and running. Limited places are still available for some sessions. Please contact Julie or Jo at the club for details. They will also be running a holiday club during the half term break from 8am until 6pm – details to follow.

### **Clubs**

In addition to the wraparound care provided by The Drop Off, there are a number of school clubs running before and after school and at lunchtimes. All morning clubs run from 8-9am and after school clubs from 3:30-4:30pm, unless otherwise stated.

## Our Pause for Thought

*Jesus said "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to such as these"*

*Matt 9:13*

## Our Value of the Term is

## Justice

Football, Hotshots Basketball, Dodgeball and Karate are run by external companies. If your child has requested to join All Star Football, you should receive a text from them today confirming their place and what kit they will require for Monday. More details will follow regarding start dates and costs for these clubs following their respective taster sessions. There is no charge for Pacesetters Dance, Wake & Shake club, and there is a £1 per week charge for the Knit & Natter club to cover the cost of the craft materials provided. If your child would like to attend either of these please notify the school office.

	<b>Breakfast Clubs</b>	<b>Lunchtime Clubs</b>	<b>Afterschool Clubs</b>
<b>Monday</b>		All Star Sports Football	
<b>Tuesday</b>		All Star Sports Dodgeball	Gymnastics with Miss Bates Knit & Natter, Crochet, Chatter with Mrs Wilkins & Mrs Pearce
<b>Wednesday</b>	Pacesetters Dance, Wake & Shake	Hotshots Basketball	
<b>Thursday</b>			
<b>Friday</b>	Karate		

Details of other clubs will follow shortly.

#### **Upcoming Events & Dates for the Diary**

Sunday 24 September                      Harvest Festival 11am in the school hall  
 Wednesday 27 September              School photographs

#### **Safeguarding and E-safety**

Please remember that if you have any concerns regarding safeguarding or child protection (including e-safety) then you should raise your concerns with the designated safeguarding leads within school. They are Russell Lunn and Sonia Byrne.

For more advice about safeguarding and e-safety, please see the following sites:

<http://www.northamptonshirescb.org.uk/>

<https://ceop.police.uk/>

With best wishes



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