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Working Together in God's Hands

Dear Parents

It was lovely to have so many parents join us for Celebration Worship this morning to celebrate the many achievements of the pupils and reward their effort and accomplishments.

However, as the term progresses, there are two issues that are increasingly causing concern to myself and my teaching staff that I feel need to be drawn to parents' attention.

All pupils need to eat a healthy and satisfying breakfast and arrive at school on time and ready to learn.

Too many children are complaining of being hungry during the morning session as they have not been fed. This has a significant impact on **their** learning as they are less able to focus and concentrate. Too many children are persistently late, arriving after 9.00am. Again this has a significant impact on **their** learning, as they are missing lesson time and it has an impact on **their classmates'** learning as their late arrival causes distraction and disruption.

In school, key learning commences **at 9.00am** immediately after registration every day (with the exception of Friday) when pupils are taught in their phonics groups. The teaching staff have worked hard to devise a timetable that delivers impactful, targeted learning to improve literacy and numeracy across the school and pupils who are late or who are hungry are losing out.

I thank the parents who already demonstrate their support of these basic principles that our children need to eat breakfast and arrive at school on time, correctly dressed, with the correct equipment and ready to learn, and that, going forward, I hope all parents prove to be equally supportive.

Library Book Amnesty

We have a large number of books missing from the school library. Could all parents please have a good look in their childrens' bedrooms and bookshelves for any school books. Please return them to the big pink box in the library area.

Y6 Boosters

There will not be a Y6 booster session on Thursday 7 February.

Upcoming Events & Dates for the Diary

Every Wednesday
(Goldfish Bowl)

Praying Parents 8.55am in school

Wednesday 13 February
Friday 15 February

Circusology workshop
Values Worship 2.00pm

Our Pause for Thought

*"When we lose one blessing,
another is often most
unexpectedly given in its
place."*

C S Lewis

**Our Value of the Term is
Trust**

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Lunn'.

Russell Lunn
Head Teacher