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Value word for September: Respect
Behaviour for Learning focus: Pride

Dear Parent / Carer,

Attendance

Here are our attendance figures for each class:

Puffins – 90%

Toucans – 95%

Bluebirds – 97%

Robins – 95%

Kestrels – 95%

Eagles – 96%

Guinness World Record

On Thursday 3rd October, our children participated in a Guinness World Record attempt for the world's largest poetry lesson. The children joined in the hall to take part in the lesson via Teams where we were joined by over 3000 other schools! That number sounds like a record to us! We had to send in videos and photos (from the back of the hall) to prove our participation, as did all the other schools and so we are awaiting confirmation of whether it met the conditions set out to gain the world record. We will keep you posted! Either way, we had lots of fun voting for different ideas to be put into the poem which we will add to our school website as soon as it is published.

SEND Coffee Morning

If you received a flyer inviting you to the coffee morning, we are really looking forward to you being able to join us. You can come straight into school after dropping your child to their entrance.

Lots of parents have made an appointment with Mrs Hudson for parents' evening. I would just like to remind you that, as Mrs Hudson is only in school one day a week she is not familiar with all the children across school. You are welcome to keep your appointment if you have a question or quick concern to share, or you are also welcome to join us at the coffee morning on Thursday 10th October at 9:00. Mrs Hudson will be there to chat to parents after services have shared their information. Please let us know if you are planning on joining us for this event via the school app or the school office.

Parent Workshops

We held our first parent workshop of the year on Monday for our Reception parents. The feedback

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from parents was overwhelmingly positive – thank you so much! Staff do work really hard to make these events enjoyable as well as informative and your feedback was much appreciated.

This year, we are keeping the same pattern of workshops in school. This term Y2-Y6 will be invited to a maths workshop. All parents will be invited to a reading event in the spring term and then an art-based event in the summer. Y1 will have a reading and phonics focus this term and then Reception and Y1 will have maths in the spring. This is because early reading and phonics are so important in the autumn terms so we have just switched them around to fulfil this need.

When you attend a workshop, please do fill in the evaluation form as we do use these to plan our future provision. This will be especially important this year as we hope to respond to parental need more in the future.

Safeguarding

I would just like to remind you of the importance of keeping the school gates closed before 8:30 and after 3:45. I know it can be a pain to put the code in twice, but it really does help us to ensure everyone is safe.

Thank you for sharing information with us more readily this week regarding marks/incidents at home following my letter last week. It is so important that we work together for the safety of our children and we really appreciate you taking this advice onboard.

Reminders

- The flu Immunisation Team will be joining us on the 15th October. If you haven't yet completed the consent required for your child to take part in this we would strongly recommend that you do so in line with guidance from the NHS. We will reissue the email on Monday in case you haven't had chance to complete it yet.
- Please update the school office if you change your phone number, or one of your emergency contacts changes theirs. It is important we have three options we can try for each child in case of emergency.
- All children must have the correct PE kit in school and be wearing their school uniform, including school shoes, every day.

Kind regards,
Miss Williams
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Dates for your Diary

* Please note – changes and additions are highlighted

Date	Event	Details
Monday 30 th September	Reception Early Reading and Phonics workshop	Letter sent
Thursday 10 th October	SEND coffee morning	Details above
Wednesday 23 rd October	Parents' Evening	Details to follow
Tuesday 22 nd October	Whole school flu immunisation	Details to follow
Thursday 7 th November	Open day	For children starting Reception in September 2025
Tuesday 12 th November	School photos	Details to follow
Monday 18 th November	Year 6 Maths Parent Workshop	Details to follow
Monday 25 th November	Year 2 Maths Parent Workshop	Details to follow
Monday 2 nd December	Year 3 Maths Parent Workshop	Details to follow
Monday 9 th December	Theatre Trip Palace Redditch Year 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6	Letter to follow
Wednesday 11 th December	Theatre Trip Mac Rec and Yr1	Letter to follow
Friday 13 th December	Christmas Fayre	Details to follow
Friday 20 th December	Christmas Production Christmas jumper day Class parties	Letter to follow

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