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Behaviour for Learning: Pride
Value Word: Respect

Dear Parent / Carer,

Attendance

Here are our attendance figures for each class:

Swans – 91%

Puffins – 96%

Toucans – 92%

Bluebirds – 94%

Robins – 96%

Kestrels – 97%

Eagles – 94%

Well done Kestrels who won a roll on Classopoly... and landed on the treasure!

Cybersecurity

October is Cybersecurity Awareness Month! This October, we encourage all parents to take a moment to learn more about cybersecurity and how to protect your family online. Find out more at <https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/what-is-cybersecurity/>

Young Voices

We are very excited to be attending Young Voices again this year in January. If your child is in Y5 or attends choir with Mrs Parry, you will have been sent further details regarding this event. We would really like all children in Y5 to attend as it truly is a magnificent event and the children are in awe every year! There is a small £12 charge towards the coach which will appear on the school app if your child is invited. You can pay this in two instalments of £6 or both at the same time.

The deadline for ordering t-shirts and tickets is 31st October so please make sure you don't miss out!

Parents' Evening Reminder

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you to parents' evening on Wednesday 22nd October. You will be informed of your allocated slot by Monday 20th based on the preferences you selected as near as possible.

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You are welcome to attend 5-10 minutes before your appointment time in order to look through your child's books before meeting their teacher. Please do try and stick to the appointment time you have been given – particularly if you have more than one child in school. There will be a bell in the hall that sounds every ten minutes to signify the end of the appointment and the start of the next. Please do be respectful of each other and end your conversations on this bell. If a further/ longer conversation is needed, this can be facilitated at another time.

Drama Club

As we have done in previous years, after half term Drama Club will begin working towards our Christmas performance. If your child doesn't wish to be part of this performance, their final Drama Club will take place on **Thursday 23rd October**. If they do wish to continue and have a part in the production then they must commit to learning their lines (during club time and at home) and must attend every rehearsal on Thursdays. This is also open to all children in Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 who may want to join Drama Club and be part of the production.

Please confirm whether your child will remain in Drama Club (or wants to join) by sending a message on the school app, an email to enquiry or catching someone on the door in the morning to let us know. I have discussed this with the children in assembly today.

Governor Update

We have filled our vacancy for a new parent governor and I am pleased to inform you that Jessica Chamberlain has joined our school governing body. We do still have a further vacancy for a co-opted governor which can be fulfilled by any member of the school community. If you know anybody who might be interested (a family member or close friend) then please do have a chat with one of us on the door in the morning for some further information.

Asthma Action Plan

I met with the school nursing team this week who shared that all children in school with a diagnosis of asthma should have an Asthma Action Plan. This is a document that will have been created with the doctor who diagnosed your child's asthma or at the last asthma review you attended with your child. We will need a copy of this document in school as soon as possible so please do send it in and we will copy and return it. The school nurse advised all children with a diagnosis of asthma should be having an annual review of their asthma so please do arrange this if you do not have an action plan. I'm happy to discuss this with you on the door in the mornings if you have any queries or concerns about this.

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Year 6 School Application

This is just a quick reminder that the deadline to apply for secondary school places for children who are currently in our Y6 class is Friday 31st October. After this time, the admissions process becomes quite complicated so please do ensure you have completed the application form for your child. If you need support with this, please contact the school office who will make an appointment with the relevant member of staff who can help you to do this if needed.

Safeguarding

This is a polite reminder that children must remain in the care of their parents or adult who is dropping them at school until door is open at 8:50. Children should not be dropped off and left on the school playground alone. This is a potential safeguarding concern as parents have left them at school but school staff are not aware they have arrived. If there is an issue in the morning that means your child needs to be left for any period of time, please do ring the school bell or go to the school office and somebody will assist you. This also applies when dropping children to Breakfast Club. We realise that there may be situations that occur unexpectedly, which means your child needs to be left slightly earlier than normal and would always support with these unexpected situations.

Flock is Home!

Mrs Hudson went to collect him this week and I did a grand unveiling in assembly today! You will be able to see him when you attend parents' evening as he is moving in next to the office shortly.

Kind regards,

Miss Williams
Headteacher

Reminders:

- Your child must bring a coat with them every day now please.
- Your child may wear their own clothes for a small donation (£1+) on Friday 24th October for Operation Santa.
- Children are not permitted to wear smart technology into school.
- Your child can wear their own clothes into school to celebrate their birthday. This should be the day of their birthday, if it falls on a school day, or the closest school to day their birthday if it falls in a holiday. Please remember we do this to replace sweets and

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chocolates being bought into school. Your child can wear whatever they want to – whether they dress up for the occasion or dress down is their choice!

- Please remember to share our Open Day dates (on calendar below) with any friends or family who have children who will start school in September 2026.

Dates for your Diary

* Please note – changes and additions are highlighted

Wednesday 22 nd October	Parents' Evening	Letter sent
Friday 24 th October	Non-uniform day in support of Operation Santa Tuck Shop	Details sent 3:30 School playground
Thursday 6 th November	New Reception Open Day (2026 cohort)	10:00 and 5:00
Friday 7 th November	New Reception Open Day (2026 cohort) Autumn Disco	10:00 3:30 – 5:30
Monday 10 th November	Year 4 Maths Workshop	Details to follow
Tuesday 11 th November	Individual photos SEND Coffee Morning	Details to follow
Friday 14 th November	Cake Sale	3:30 School playground
Monday 17 th November	Reception Maths Workshop	Details to follow
Friday 21 st November	Table Top Sale	3:30 School playground
Monday 24 th November	Year 3 Maths Workshop	Details to follow
Friday 28 th November	Family Fun Bingo	Details to follow
Monday 1 st December	Year 2 Maths Workshop	Details to follow
Friday 5 th December	Photo Booth	Details to follow
Monday 8 th December	Year 5 Maths Workshop	Details to follow
Friday 12 th December	Christmas Fayre	Details to follow
Wednesday 17 th December	Pantomime in school	Details to follow

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