August 2025 Newsletter

Dear Families.



I am thrilled to share with you the first whole school newsletter of the 2025/2026 academic year, and what an incredible beginning it has been! I would like to extend a heartfelt welcome to our new foundation children and their families. Miss Harland, Dali and Mrs Davies have been overjoyed with how smoothly the children have settled in, making new friends, and adapting to their new surroundings. The room is already calm, the children are getting to know the routines and chatting away with each other - playing in small groups and enjoying whole class circle time. We hope that every family in our school feels seen and valued as we embark on this journey together with you and your child.

I understand that the children be very tired this weekend, but I am confident that they will be eager and enthusiastic about starting full days on Monday. The gates will be open for pick up at 3pm with a 15 minute collection window. Year 1 will be collected at 3.15pm.

Secondly, a heartfelt welcome back to our wonderful Year I families! I can't believe how much the children have grown in just six weeks. Mrs Loomes has been amazed by their maturity. All week, we have been talking to them about being role models in the school. It has been heartwarming to see them in the playground, mixing with the new foundation children and offering a guiding hand. We will be playing together at break times and lunchtimes, so it is lovely that they will get to know each other as a school community. All of the Year I children have adjusted remarkably well to their new classroom environment, and their enthusiasm for learning is clearly evident. Please look out for the Curriculum Map on the school website.

Just a few reminders to kick off the year - if you don't already, please follow our School Instagram for regular updates and snippets of school life. We also have our annual Harvest festival on Friday 19th September at 9am. and we will be inviting the whole family to this celebration in the hall. It will be lovely to have a hall full of families. We kindly ask for donations during the Harvest festival of dry food or tins for our local Market Harborough Jubilee food bank. The Year 1 children are buzzing to sing "Big Red Combine Harvester" again for you all. They loved singing that song last year, even in February on the playground you could hear the lyrics!

Regarding dogs on school grounds, we would like to remind you that Chester, our Yoga Dog, visits every Monday for a yoga session led by Mrs Andrews. For Chester to be on site we have conducted a risk assessment and therefore allow all dogs in the playground. However, we understand and respect that not everyone is comfortable around dogs. Therefore we only welcome well behaved dogs on a lead.

Also on the playground please make sure that we dismount from bikes and scooters at the school gate to keep the playground safe.

A reminder that Mondays are PE days for both the Year 1 and Foundation class. Children come to school dressed in their PE kit for the whole day. Faye, our new sports coach, will be taking the Monday PE lessons. We are thrilled to welcome Faye to our school community and look forward to the sports knowledge and passion she will bring. Finally, every Friday, we will have a whole school celebration assembly. If your child has any sports awards, swimming badges, dancing medals, or anything to celebrate and they would like to share in the assembly, please bring them into school on a Friday and let the class teacher know there is something you would like to share.

The team and I are very excited for the year ahead and can't wait for all the adventures that await. Kindest regards, Mrs Knox