

Misson Primary School

You already have your wings, we will help you fly



Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you have had a good summer break and are all ready for the start of another busy and exciting school year.

It has been a pleasure to welcome our children back into school this week. They have made a fantastic start to the year, showing brilliant behaviour and an enthusiasm for learning.

They have also embraced our autumn term theme of respect that we are promoting in school. The children have been asked to show respect to each other and to members of staff. They are making sure they do things such as hold doors open, avoid pushing and shoving, not interrupting adults when they are talking, taking care of the school building, and the equipment in the building. They are also making sure they are kind to other children, by not laughing if they get something wrong, or if another child is in trouble. Children who show they are doing these things well will be rewarded in our Friday special mentions assembly. Parents and carers can help us to continue to be a kind caring community, by reinforcing these values at home.

Special Mentions Assemblies – We are continuing to welcome parents to special mentions assembly on the last Friday in most months. The exact dates will be on the diary dates list, which should be with you next week. An **important change** this year, is that the assemblies will be **in the afternoons from 2.30**. This is because of the new teaching arrangements in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. Children can be collected from classrooms as soon as teachers have got them ready to go home. Please pick children up from the outside doors as normal.

Jewellery – The children have started school with the correct uniform and look very smart. However we have noticed that many children are wearing jewellery that does not fit with our uniform code, which says -

“For safety reasons, jewellery should not be worn in school. If ears are pierced, then small stud earrings are permitted but must be taken out or covered with a plaster during PE and swimming.”

The children have been reminded of this today in assembly, and from next week children will be asked to remove any jewellery except for small stud earrings. This is for the children’s safety, and stops jewellery being lost or broken.

Parents’ welcome morning - On Wednesday 10th September we are having our welcome morning for parents, from 8.55 am to 10am, where all parents and carers are welcome. Please drop your children off as normal, then make your way to the hall, where tea and coffee will be available from the kitchen. At around 8.55 am parents will be able to join their children in their classrooms (the teachers need a few minutes to take the registers and settle the children down).

Cauliflower Cards – This is advanced warning to look out for your child bringing home a design for Christmas cards and gifts around the beginning of October. We apologise for how early this is, but it allows time for you to see your child's work, and order the items you would like. This means that they can be produced and shipped in plenty of time for Christmas. As well as buying some wonderfully individual gifts, you will be helping raise money for the playground project.

Contact details – Please make sure you keep your contact details up to date, these include mobile phone numbers and email address. We have had some parents missing important information because we did not have their correct details. We will send out a new contact sheet for parents to fill in next week.

Breakfast and After School Clubs – To enable our successful clubs to continue to run smoothly, please could all parents and carers make sure they give 24 hours' notice to cancel a pre booked place, to avoid being charged. Can you also make sure places are paid for in advance.

Children having packed lunches – Please can you ensure that your child does **not bring nuts, or food containing nuts** into school, as we have several children with severe allergies to them. Could you also make sure your child has a drink and any cutlery they need to eat their packed lunch and we will be asking the children to take the rubbish home from their lunches so parents can see what they have eaten.

Looking forward to seeing you soon

John Birch