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Dear Parents and Carers,

### Clubs

Blubs are running well now – I sent out a letter to parents of girls in Years 4, 5, & 6 as we can start a girls' football club on Wednesdays from next week. Please remember that for clubs that require kit (for instance football) school PE kit is the expected; not club kits.

### Google Classroom

By today, all login issues for new joiners should have been rectified. Sorry this has taken a little while – we only have our IT support team in part-time. Please make sure you have logged into your child's google classroom – it is clear from many of them that only 50% of pupils have logged in this term. Work and messages set by the class teachers will rely on your child being able to access it.

### Dogs on site

This seems to be working OK and I thank our dog owners for using the designated zone to wait with their dog. This is important as we want to maintain good dog/human/school relationships. Please do **NOT** put dog waste in the playground bins – take it home to dispose of.

### Parking on and off site



If this is your car, please don't park it on the double yellow lines.

Please parents, park sensibly, considerately of our neighbours and safely for our children.

We are luckier than most schools having fairly good parking in neighbouring streets.

Please remember that driving on to site is only by permission and for users of Breakfast and after school club before 8am and after 4.30pm.

If collecting from clubs at 4,15 you still need to park and walk.

### Lunch Menu

As you will have heard in the news, a shortage of HGV drivers, due to COVID and Brexit, as well as various and continued factors, are having a major effect on the food industry. Our Catering Contractors (Nourish) will endeavour to provide all dishes and menu options, however, there may be occasions where we will need to adjust the menu depending on the supplies available. We thank you for your patience and understanding.

### **Friends of Margaret Roper News**

I was very grateful to the mums who provided refreshments for our new parents at the coffee morning on Monday. Thank you to those who came for supporting us too. The Friends of Margaret Roper provided a lovely cupcake for all reception parents, with the school badge on it.

I had a very productive meeting with Jo Wiley, our Joint Chair on Monday and we set some dates in the diary for this term. Please see them below. A Friends of Margaret Roper committee meeting will take place on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September at 6pm in school.

### **CAFOD Harvest appeal – Wear Green**

This week has been Great Big Green Week. We are trying to raise awareness of how we can all do more to help the environment and our Prime Minister has also been making very public statements about the need to take responsibility for the environment at the United Nations. We will continue to try to educate our children and seek opportunities to be greener.

### **Secondary Transfer**

A meeting was held on Tuesday evening for parents of Y6 pupils to help with the secondary transfer process, which all has to be completed by 31<sup>st</sup> October. I sent out notes and useful information subsequent to the meeting. If any parents of Y6 children wish to come and discuss transfer to secondary schools with me, I welcome them to make an appointment.

### **Stars of the week:**

Reception will be joining in after half term

- Zander and Arabella
- Reyes and Miles
- Olivia and Tabitha
- Michael and Matilda
- Alice and Valentina
- Edner and Oli L

### **Writers of the week:**

- Eliza
- Diana
- Ella
- Christina
- Tiago
- Laurence

### **Mathematician of the week**

- Michael
- Alex
- Matilda
- Emma
- Leila
- Maja

### **This week's attendance awards are as follows:**

Y3 - 99.27 % attendance & 100% punctuality

Y2 - 100% punctuality - well done to both classes!

**Have a lovely weekend.**

**D Mooney**

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**Dates for your diary**

'Spooky' Discos – 22<sup>nd</sup> October

Quiz night – More details to follow v soon - Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November

Mufti Day for Christmas Fayre – 26<sup>th</sup> November

Christmas Fayre – Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> December

**Attachments** – Recycling Update – Thanks to Anna Bond for her leadership here.