

NW/LR

September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you are all well. I wanted to take this opportunity to extend a warm welcome you all as parents and carers as we start back with the pupils to our new year and term. We are really pleased with the way the vast majority of pupils have returned and would like to thank you for preparing them for their return to school. You have done a wonderful job, well done! We are seeing pupils wearing their full uniform with pride; pupils with bags and equipped to learn. This all makes pupils good learners.

I, and other staff have been in and around school and in classrooms and we are pleased to see happy pupils positively engaged in their learning led by our teachers and support staff. This helps the pupils make progress and develop their skills and knowledge.

We have a busy school and pupils enjoying their return to school is a great feeling and gives a positive buzz!

Can we ask that we keep ensuring the pupils are dressed to learn, prepared with their bags and equipment, ready to learn so the teachers and other staff can support your child in their development.

We have spoken with the pupils about being their 'best me' and making gains, 1% at least each day. To make these gains they need to be with us and our minimum target attendance is **95%**. This is **less than 2 days** absence this half term. The half term break or holiday is from Friday 16th October to Monday 2nd November.

We cannot achieve all of the above without your support and feel it is important to thank you for your cooperation in making this start possible.

Can I ask that parents collecting their children by car, park safely, off the pavement and not blocking residents' drives. We want all the children to be safe. Unfortunately, we do not have a car park to accommodate all of our 1500 children.

Can we wish you all a wonderful weekend and we look forward to the coming weeks.

Best regards

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