



# Headteacher's Blog

Welcome Back 2 page issue -  
Wednesday 5th September 2018.



Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome to our weekly blog. I hope you have all managed to enjoy the summer sunshine at some point and it is lovely to see the children back to school ready to have another exciting year of learning. We have lots of events and activities planned so please look out for our termly dates letter later in the week. I would like to also wish a warm welcome to the children and their families who are starting our school for the first time today.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact us by email, in person or telephone if you have any suggestions for ways in which we can make school even better! I look forward to seeing you all in school across the school term.

Best Wishes, Belinda Athey - Headteacher.

## Change of Day

This week our Blog is out the first day back so that we can share important news for the new term with you. Next week the Blog be sent out as usual, on Fridays. Please do check our website which has copies of all our letters in the News section.

## Exciting News!

Mrs Maule had a lovely baby boy over the summer.  
His full name is James Stanley Maule.  
Born on 30.7.18, weighing 8 pounds 8oz.



## Homework

As a staff we have been discussing homework and how it should be more effective. We will be sending out a questionnaire very soon to ask your thoughts and opinions. In the meantime it is expected that everyone in the whole school who has a reading book reads daily aloud to an adult, this will need to increase as the children get older to the point in Class 2 and 3 where the children are expected to read for 60 minutes per night. The children in Reception and Class 1 will have a list of words sent home which is expected to be able to read and spell by the end of the year. The children in Class 2 and 3 have similar lists which can be located in their planner. The children also need to learn their x tables.

## Reminders from our last blog

### Packed lunches provided from school from September

From September, when children are on school trips in Class 2 or 3 there will no longer be the option of a packed lunch provided from school. The children will be able to take a packed lunch provided from home to school on those days in which their class is out on a school trip. Please notice that Class 2 have a school trip on Tuesday so please ensure if you are entitled to a packed lunch and wish to have one the option is completed on the reply slip. Please could everyone return their permission slips by Monday?

### Staffing appointment

Unfortunately, due to circumstances beyond our control Mrs Watson will not be starting with us in September. In the meantime Mrs Dodds will be continuing to support Early Years and Class 1 and Ms McAllister Williams will support pupils in Class 2 and 3 alongside Mrs Chisholm and Ms Clark.

### KS 2 PE kit reminder

As part of our school PE Kit for Class 2 and 3 the children will be required to have football boots and shin pads for PE as during the winter months our outdoor PE include Football, Hockey and Rugby.

Please see our website for photos in the Gallery or Class pages as they are regularly updated.

### 2 Year Old Provision

This will start on Monday!

### Lest We forget . . .

Please contact the office or Mrs Fortescue if you are able to help. If you have already contacted school we will be in touch with you shortly.

### School Meals

Please remember that if a school lunch option is chosen that it is required to be taken every day of the week and notice must be given if you no longer wish for your child to continue having a school lunch. For further information please contact the school office.