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„Treat others the way you would like to be treated yourself“

**9th September 2022**

### **Message from Mrs Procter**



Welcome back, it was lovely to see all of our children on Monday morning looking so smart in their school uniform. They have all settled into their new classrooms and are rising to the challenge of the new school year! Our younger children already feel part of the team so I know we have a great year ahead of us.

We have booked our trip to the pantomime, our residentials for Y2, Y4 and Y6 and are sorting dates with Father for our Y3 Sacrament program so we are trying to be one step ahead- we will share the dates with you over the coming weeks.

Over the summer the final phase of the building work has been completed - I can now say that the whole school has been decorated since I came here five years ago!! The 1970's hatch in the school office has finally been removed, which I am delighted about so we can see all of our parents when they enter the school office. Some jobs have not been completed yet due to delays in materials but they will be finished in the next few weeks. Our Little Acorns room has had a makeover and the FS1 staff have worked throughout the summer holidays to ensure everything was set up for the beginning of term.

From next week all children including our FS2 children will be left at the gates. Please see the list below for gate drop off:

Little Acorns- up the Little Acorns' path

FS2- enter through church gate, so children can wave to you once they reach the classroom

Y1- enter via Little Acorns' path

Y2 and Y3- enter via main reception. Parents can then wave once they are in the classroom

Y4, Y5 and Y6- via Church gates

If you have siblings the children can enter school from any gate; there are always staff on each gate to direct. Please can I remind you of our one way system- all children to enter via Little Acorns' path and exit from second gate on Allport road, this prevents congestion.

Don't be totally worried  
about everything that's  
going around you.  
It's my job.

*Signed*  
**God**

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### **Weekly Reflection**

At the start of this new school year we are reminded in Paul's letter to the Philippians: "Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand.

His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus."

So if you have any worries about starting a new class then remember that God is always with us and will help you.

**Ethos Statement** – I try to follow our school and classroom rules.

## Queen Elizabeth II



It was with great sadness that we heard of the passing of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth. Today we held an assembly to talk about her life and reflect upon her role as our monarch and how the news made us feel. We remembered with joy our celebrations for her Platinum Jubilee and the wonderful book about her life that she had published for all school children. It is a book that we will certainly treasure and look back upon. The children responded with respect and love, as we would expect from our caring community at CTK. We will continue to support our children over the next week and celebrate the life of Queen Elizabeth as well as discuss coming changes with our new King.

## Term Time Holidays: Wirral Borough Council

Parents/carers please be aware that Fixed Penalty Notices have been reinstated by the Local Authority. Head Teachers are now only empowered to approve term time holidays in 'exceptional' circumstances. Therefore in accordance with Section 444 of the Education Act 1996 **family holidays cannot and will not be authorised.** Schools are legally bound to provide all details to their local Fixed Penalty Officer. A fixed penalty notice will then be issued. Current rates payable by parents/carers are £60 per parent/carer per child within 21 days and £120 where the amount is paid within 28 days. If the fixed penalty notice remains unpaid this could lead to prosecution in the Magistrates Court.

As a matter of importance can we please ask parents to inform the school of any absence due to holidays. **Any absences taken when school has information that a child is on holiday will also be reported to the Fixed Penalty Officer as school is duty bound to do so.**

Thank you for your co-operation and continued support in these matters. Any problems or if you need support regarding any of the above information, please do not hesitate to contact school. Further information on attendance including guidance on 'exceptional circumstances' can be found in our Admissions and Punctuality policy on the school website.

## Persistent Lateness

Persistent late arrival at school not only affects the learning of the student arriving late, but also the learning of the rest of the students in the class. Ongoing, persistent lateness, after the registration period has closed, can lead to statutory measures being used by the Local Authority.

Can we also remind parents that when possible, appointments should be made for pupils at the end of the school day so they are not leaving class early and disrupting the lesson ( we appreciate that there are times when it is beyond your control).

Persistent lateness and early leaving over a school year can often accumulate to several days missed learning for students and may be drawn to the attention of the Local Authority resulting in a fixed penalty notice.

## Parking concerns

Several concerns have been raised by residents about parking outside the school and surrounding streets. One resident was particularly distressed due to receiving some offensive remarks and actions when they approached a person dropping off/collecting a pupil.

On a couple of occasions, some dangerous parking and blocking of the main road has also been witnessed by our local residents.

Can we ask that we remain considerate to our neighbours and our local community and ensure safety is priority whilst dropping off and collecting children.

## **Congratulations**

Congratulations to the following classes who have all achieved 100% attendance this week!

FJH	1SH	1DK
3EJ	3DJ	6KH

## **Parish News**

You may have noticed some work being carried out at the church. For your information the parish is having CCTV fitted around the external area.

## **Uniform Reminder**

Can we remind parents that pupils are not permitted to wear jewellery in school, in particular we have found that some children have attended school with earrings in. Non-smart watches are allowed to be worn by pupils.

## **Dates for your Diary**

Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> September	Secondary School Applications open
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> September	5AY Bikeability week
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> September	Mad Science After School Club commences
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> September	KS2 Tag Rugby After School Club commences
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	11+ Assessment Day
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	5MJ Bikeability week
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	6KH Swimming commences
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	6RM Swimming commences
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	Poetry Day
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	Individual school photographs
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 5 Victorian Day

Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	School closes for Half Term Break
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	Inset Day ( School closed to pupils)
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Secondary School applications close
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	NHS Flu Vaccinations
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Floral Pavilion- Whole School **
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	School closes at 1:30pm for Christmas Break
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Inset Days (School closed to pupils)
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Inset Days (School closed to pupils)
<b>** Further information to follow with regards payments</b>	