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Dear Parent/Carer

Now we are approaching the end of our first week of the new school year, I wanted to take this opportunity to welcome everyone back to our school community, and a special welcome to parents whose children are joining us for the first time. Across school, we have been so impressed with how the children have settled into their new classes and routines. Class teachers will be continuing to work hard over the next couple of weeks to ensure that the children are settled and happy in their class environments.

Our new approach to behaviour is well embedded, with the children being aware of our 4 key behaviour expectations: calm, caring, conscientious and respectful. This year, following input from children, staff and parent and carers, we will also be launching our new Captain Cook personal development core virtues, which we are calling our CHARTER: CURIOSITY, HONESTY, AMBITION, RESILIENCE, TEAMWORK, EQUITY and RESPONSIBILITY. We will be seeking to embed these virtues through displays, assemblies and class discussions, and they will be reinforced by our brand new 'Virtue of the Week' awards in celebration assemblies.

Uniform and Bookbags

A reminder to all parents that our school uniform consists of:

• White shirt or polo shirt; grey trousers or skirt; plain red jumper, cardigan or sweatshirt; black shoes

PE kit (to be worn on PE days):

• Plain black track suit bottoms or leggings (shorts can be worn underneath); plain red tee shirt; trainers; school red jumper or a plain red sweatshirt or fleece over the top

All items of uniform/PE kit should be plain with no logos visible (apart from the school logo.)

The only jewellery permitted is a pair of small stud earrings (which must be removed for PE) and a watch (SMART watches are not allowed.)

Please also ensure that the children come to school each day with a schoolbook bag. Due to issues with space, we are unable to accommodate other bags/backpacks in school. I'm sure that you appreciate how important maintaining high standards of uniform (including book bags and PE kit) are to ensuring high standards throughout school, and I am very grateful for your continued support. If any parents are struggling in relation to uniform and/or book bags, please contact the school office for assistance.





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End of the school day

Our school day ends at 3.10 for children in Reception to Year 2, and 3.15 for children in Years 3-6.

Children in Lower School should be collected promptly at their usual class doors. Children in upper school will be escorted by their teachers to their class sign in the playground. Parents should wait for their child behind this designated spot so that teachers can each child is safely handed over to their adult.

Children in Year 5 or 6 will only be permitted to leave school grounds without an adult if we have received written permission for them to do this. Please complete the form sent home with your child and return to school as soon as possible if you wish your child to do this.

I would also like to remind you that all children should only be collected by adults or those over 16 (this includes siblings.) This stipulation also applies to children being collected from wraparound care.

We will be sending out our regular newsletter next week, which will include some key dates. Important messages and dates will also be uploaded onto the school website regularly.

Many thanks for your continued support. If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Yours sincerely

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Mrs L Acheson

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