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Dear Parent/Carer

Happy New Year! Your child brought home their Curriculum Map showing the learning they will be engaged in over the Spring Term last week. Diary Dates will follow by the end of this week but please do not hesitate to get in touch with us if you have any questions about your child's learning in the meantime.

Mrs Binks

Mrs Binks has asked that I pass on her thanks for your concern, kind messages, gifts and thoughts during her absence. I am pleased to report, that whilst she will need to undergo further treatment, her operation has been deemed a success by her Doctors. She is in very close contact with school - as you can imagine- and is still cracking the whip and keeping us on our toes- as you can imagine!

Late arrival into school

From September 2023, there has been a considerable increase in the number of children arriving late. All children should be in school, at their desks and ready to learn at **8.50am** at Moor Lane & **8.55am** at Church Street.

Children arriving after this time will receive an **Unauthorised** mark in the register. If this happens on 14 or more occasions in a 12 week period, a referral will be made to the Local Authority who may issue a fine.

In the first 3 days of term last week, 73 children were late and 705 minutes (11 hours 45 minutes) were lost in learning time.

We will have staff monitoring late arrivals at Moor Lane site from Monday 15th January to Friday 19th January and you will receive a call if your child has been late. The late gate will be running from Monday 22nd January to Friday 26th January at Church Street and staff will speak to you at the gate regarding reason for lateness.

We do understand that sometimes unexpected things happen and being late cannot be avoided. Please let us know if this is the case. Moving forward Annie will be making calls or sending texts on a Friday to advise of late marks and offering support if it is needed.

PE Kits

As part of our Poverty Proofing work we do have a school PE Kit consisting of white t-shirt, blue/black shorts or joggers. Please send your child with their PE Kit at the beginning of the week and they can bring it home on a Friday. We have some PE Kits in school which children can use if they need to. These can be given to children to keep and we will get them washed on a regular basis – they are not just old dirty kits in a box for them to rake through!

Regards

Andrew Mullen Mr Andrew Mullen

Mr Andrew Mullen Acting Head Teacher

Head Teacher: Mrs Marie-Louise Binks B.Ed. Hons NPQH • Chair of Governors: Mrs R Wilson









