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Dear Parents/Carers

Fundraising:

Jeans for Genes

Tomorrow is a non-uniform day in aid of this fabulous charity who help to fund generic research. Children may come to school in jeans or non-uniform if they wish. Donations will be very welcome in school.

Macmillan & The Phoenix Unit

Next Friday 27th September is our Macmillan Coffee Morning this will take place on both sites from 8.45 – 10.30. In addition to raising funds for Macmillan we will also be raising money for the Phoenix Unit in Sunderland Hospital, an excellent Chemotherapy Unit which some of you may know about.

Thank you in advance for your support with these events.

Attendance

As you know attendance is a huge focus for us and all schools nationally this year. Our aim is to have 96% attendance. Last week our attendance was 97.3%. Thank you for helping your children to get to school as often as possible and for assisting us in this important focus for school. Unfortunately this week our attendance has dropped to 94.3% and 300 minutes of learning have been lost by lateness since we came back to school in September- but there is still tomorrow! To help the children understand the importance of good attendance we have appointed two attendance champions on each site to record how many children are in school each day – Grace & Georgina at Moor Lane and Rosie, Wisdom, Rosie & Nicky at Church Street.

Pick Ups

I know I have spoken to some of you about clashes with pick up times at Church Street and the Nursery. If you have a child who is in the Nursery till 3.30 pick them up first then come to Church Street. You will not be charged for this, obviously unless they are there till 4pm.

Parent Charter

I have been contacted several times this week about the behaviour of adults outside of school and on the school yard. Parking outside of school is absolutely dangerous and someone is going to get very badly hurt if things do not improve. Reversing while children are walking nearby, driving on paths, blocking driveways and parking dangerously have been reported or witnessed this week. Reversing in to school car parks is not allowed – the consequences of hitting a child are far too serious to even think about. I've also been told by children, parents and members of the community about adults shouting, swearing and behaving aggressively on the school yard and outside of the school gates. The police are aware of all of these incidents, and the Local Authority will be taking legal action and preventing parents from entering the school grounds if they behave in an inappropriate manner. Children have re-drafted the Adult Charter to share how they want adults to behave in and around our school. A copy is attached with this letter. If anyone is worried about the behaviour of people coming in to our school at any time please come and speak to me or ring school.

Regards

Marie-Louise Binks

Mrs Marie-Louise Binks

Head Teacher

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