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THE HEIGHTS HIGHLIGHTS

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back everyone! It was so lovely to see everyone again on Wednesday looking so happy and revitalised after the summer break. Thank you for your lovely comments about the changes to the site over the summer. We are delighted with the internal space we now have in our Old and New Blocks (Nurture Room opposite) and so pleased with the space we have access to in Westfield Park. The children are loving their break and lunchtimes there and it was really nice to see children from The Heights, Thameside and St Anne's playing there after school. Thank you also to those of you who were able to help in site over the summer holidays. It made such a difference!



Welcome!

As well as welcoming all our new Reception children we are delighted that Piper has joined us in Year 4. We also have a large number of new staff:

Mr Gillick (Year 5 Teacher)

Mrs Giacomelli (Year 1 Teacher)

Mrs White (4CT Teaching Assistant)

Mrs D'Silva (4RR Teaching Assistant)

Miss Hatchett (3SW Teaching Assistant)

Mrs Sonaike (2VH Teaching Assistant)

Mrs Goodman (2VH Teaching Assistant)

Mrs Flett (1CG Teaching Assistant)

Mrs Cheale (1AP Teaching Assistant)

Miss Yarwood (Reception ED Teaching Assistant)

We are very excited to welcome them all to our School Community.

Celebration Assemblies

Due to ongoing space issues in the main hall, our Friday Celebration Assemblies will be alternated each week between Reception/Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. The assembly today focussed on Key Stage 2. Next week the assembly focus will be for Key Stage 1 (not Reception as these children are in for half days). The following week will revert back to Key Stage 2 and so on. Assemblies will start at the usual time of 2:45pm. Parents are welcome to attend but please ensure you arrive in time for a prompt 2.50pm start. Entry is via the school hall steps.

Information From Classteachers

Next week you will receive information from Classteachers about the topics and curriculum the children will be following throughout the year. A Parent Planner will then be sent every Monday explaining in brief, what the children will be learning each week.

Longridge Meeting

We are really looking forward to our two Year 4 Residential to Longridge Activity Centre between Wednesday 26th and Friday 28th September. We will be holding an information meeting for parents next Thursday 13th September at 3.10pm in the School Hall in the New Block and again at 7pm for parents who can't make the earlier slot. Please email the school office if you need to attend at 7pm so we can gauge numbers.

Car Parking

Please note that parents should not be using the parking spaces in the flats behind the school or St Anne's Church at any time. These spaces are for residents of the flats and the Church only. Can we also ask that if you are parking in nearby residential streets that you are mindful of our neighbours and park with consideration, not blocking driveways or parking in designated permit bays.

Sponsored Walk for the Alzheimer's Society

I've been inspired by my daughter to participate in different sponsored walks in aid of the Alzheimer's Society and raising awareness of Dementia. Our first walk is in a week's time on 16th September. If you would like sponsor us, please visit our Just Giving page at http://www.justgiving.com/lauren-edwards98?utm_id26

Spotlight

Summer Reading Challenge

Lucy (3SW), Amelia (3SW), Ava (3FH), Thom (4CT) and Jonah (4CT) for all completing the Reading Libraries 'Mischief Makers' Summer Reading Challenge.

Blue Peter Badges

Well done to Thom (4CT) for earning TWO Blue Peter Badges! One for Sports and a DIAMOND Badge for writing about new experiences and how he helps others.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Longridge Residential Meetings for Year 4	Thursday 13 th September 3.00pm and 7.00pm
Greys Court - Cross Country (Years 1-6)	Saturday 15 th September from 9am
Secondary School Evening for Years 4 & 5	Thursday 20 th September 7.00-8.30pm in the school hall
Jeans for Genes	Friday 21 st September
Longridge Residential - 4CT	26-27 th September
Longridge Residential - 4RR	27 th -28 th September
Last Day of Term	Friday 19 th October

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