

## FREETHORPE COMMUNITY PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL The Green Freethorpe Norwich NR13 3NZ

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**Dear Parents and Carers** 

Welcome to the new school year and a very exciting one for our school. I have met many of you and most of your children already at various times at the end of last term and I am already enjoying being back in school and getting down to business.

The next part of the journey for our school brings great opportunities for us to make what is already happening in school even better, but initially the day to day business of school will be very similar this term to last, so all of our children and staff can settle back to the many great strengths of Freethorpe Primary School. There will inevitably be things we wish to evolve to make even better though and top of my list is to make some progress with improving the classes in the craft block. This will take time but I have already started the process because I want all of our children and staff to have inspiring and engaging places to learn and grow in. The other classes will also be getting a facelift this year and we will be having an external redecoration in the coming weeks. The work is nearly complete to expand our outdoor area for Nursery.

While they are important, it is not all about buildings though, and I am looking forward to spending lots of time in classes and in the playground with the staff and children over the next few weeks. My approach to school will always be to put the children first and this means putting you first too. Education only really works when everyone is involved together and we will want to work with you to give all of our children the best possible chance of making the very best of their potential.

You are always more than welcome to contact myself or other relevant staff at school when you need to. Usually in the first instance this would be with your class teacher, but you can see myself, Mrs Houghton or Mrs Branch should you need to. I will be in school regularly during the week, but not for the whole week. I am your Headteacher all of the time though, and being offsite doesn't mean you can't use me or contact me! I am readily available by email, telephone or in person, at whichever school I am at. Contact details for me are on the reverse of this letter. Mrs Thrower will always be able to tell you which school I am at should you need to know. Mrs Houghton, Mrs Branch or I will also be available at the gate at the beginning and end of days whenever possible.

Finally, I have two expectations for everyone in my schools. Firstly, I want everyone to be happy and enjoy the great pleasure of being in and around a primary school. Secondly, I have very high expectations in all aspects of school and just ask that everyone tries their very hardest to meet and beat these expectations. This will allow our children (and the rest of us!) to be confident, happy and successful.

Looking forward to meeting you during the course of the term.

Yours sincerely

Chris Aitken

**Executive Headteacher** 

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