



### Greetings!

Welcome back to school for the start of another year. I hope that you all had a lovely break over the summer, and are coming back to school rested, revived and ready!

I'd like to take this opportunity to formally introduce myself. My name is Leon Cox, and I started this week as the new Headteacher at the school.

In just a short week, I have experienced a lot, enjoyed immensely and already realised what a special place Mayals Primary is. I am incredibly excited about working with your children, yourselves, and the rest of the school community to drive our school further forward over the coming years, building on the excellent practice that is already taking place. Together, we will offer your child every opportunity for them to do as our school motto says, 'Be the best that they can be'.

I plan to be in the yard every day, both before and after school, and look forward to meeting you all in person. So, should you have queries, compliments, complaints, concerns or issues you would like to discuss, please do come and find me.

Kind regards,  
Mr. L. Cox

### UNCRC Right of the Month

### School Aim of the Month



#### Article 28:

The right to learn and go to school.



"Happy, safe school community,

### Meet the Teacher

There will be an opportunity for you to meet your child's teacher over the coming weeks. The format will be slightly different to previous years. If you make your way to your child's class at the date and time below, each teacher will be making a short presentation about the coming year and will then be available for any questions that you may have.

If you are unable to make the meeting, or have more than one child in the same key stage, please see your child's teacher and they will happily make a separate appointment for you.

Nursery Class Meet the Teacher will be held at 12.00pm on Monday Sept 16<sup>th</sup>.

KS2 classes (Y3 - Y6) Meet the Teacher will be held at 3.30pm on Tuesday Sept 17<sup>th</sup>.

Foundation Phase classes (Rec - Y2) Meet the Teacher will be held at 3.30pm on Wednesday Sept 18<sup>th</sup>.

### Amazing achievements !!

A huge congratulations to Gwen McHugh in Y5, who was busy conquering the tennis world over the summer break. She won the 75<sup>th</sup> Swansea Tennis Junior Championships, a lawn tennis Open in Warwickshire and also successfully represented South Wales at Bath University. We are all very proud of you Gwen!



If you have any amazing achievements that you would like to celebrate with the rest of the school community, please do let us know.

## Extra-Curricular Clubs

There will be a selection of extra-curricular clubs on offer for your children over the coming term. Due to the 'Meet the Teacher' meetings, these clubs will not start until the week beginning September 23<sup>rd</sup>. More information regarding timetables and procedures will be sent out in due course.



However, our popular After School Club is already up and running. If you are interested in your child attending, or would like to know more, please speak to Mrs Clay or Mrs Lomas in the school office.

## School Lunches and sQuid

The price of a school lunch is £2.30 per day (£11.50 for the week). Remember that payment should only be made through sQuid.

**Please keep your sQuid account topped up. The LA has a strict 'no debt' policy and has now informed the school that accounts must be kept in credit, or the system will not allow a lunch to be ordered for your child.**

If you have any concerns or queries, please come and speak to Mrs Lomas in the school office.



## Attendance

Please continue to support good attendance by taking medical appointments out of school time whenever possible. Remember to let us know by 9.15 am if your child is absent.

Our whole school attendance target is 96+%

## Dates for your diary

- Individual School Photos - Thursday September 12<sup>th</sup>
- Nursery Meet the Teacher - Monday September 16<sup>th</sup>
- KS2 Meet the Teacher - Tuesday September 17<sup>th</sup>
- FP Meet the Teacher - Wednesday September 18<sup>th</sup>
- Macmillan Coffee Morning - Friday October 4<sup>th</sup>
- Influenza Nasal Spray - (Pupils from Reception to Y6) - Monday October 21<sup>st</sup>
- Last day of half term - Friday October 25<sup>th</sup>
- Return to school - Monday November 4<sup>th</sup>



## PTA

I have heard many good things about the PTA at the school, and am looking forward to working with you all. We will hold a meeting a little later in the term (date yet to be confirmed) where we can discuss the coming year. If you are interested in joining the PTA, we would love to see you there. Keep an eye out for a text, once the date has been finalised.

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