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New start, new academic year!

We extend a really warm welcome to everyone at the start of this new academic year at Acle Primary: to all the children who have returned after the summer holidays and have moved up a class, as well as to those who have joined us from other schools.

We have been thinking about “making a good start” during our two assembly times this week, particularly focussing on being prepared and ready to learn. The children themselves recognise that it is important to have confidence in yourself, to “have a go”, to keep on trying - not being afraid to make mistakes - to listen to other people, to be prepared to share your own ideas and work alongside others.

We know this is not always easy, but throughout the year we want our pupils to develop the right attitudes and skills to do their very best in all areas of school life.

On a practical level, we have also reminded children to bring in a water bottle each day and to have PE kit ready for the days when they have PE or Games.

Parent information meetings with class teachers

We will be holding some short information meetings for parents at the start of the academic year. These meetings will take place next week, straight after school, just for half an hour.

The purpose of the meetings will be for teachers to explain in a bit more detail the cross curricular thematic work the children will be doing, and talking to you about routines and expectations, including home / school communication and how you can support your child's learning. The meeting will give you a chance to ask any questions and to chat to your child's teacher informally, should you wish to do so.

Wednesday 12th – 3.40 to 4.10pm for parents of pupils in Years 3 and 4 (everyone to meet together in Ms Margerum's room)

Thursday 13th – 3.40 to 4.10pm for parents of pupils in Years 5 and 6 (everyone to meet together in Mrs Lloyd / Miss Owen's room)

Friday 14th – 3.40 to 4.10pm for parents of pupils in Years 1 and 2 (we shall hold the meeting in Mrs Tovell's class, and will supervise any children who want to watch a DVD next door in Mrs Welch's class during the meeting)

There will be a similar meeting for parents of **Reception pupils on Tuesday 25 September**, once the children have settled in. Parents will meet in Mrs Welch's room **between 3.40 and 4.10pm**, with pupils given the option of watching a short film, supervised, in Mrs Tovell's room whilst the meeting is taking place.

KS1 / KS2 morning break snacks

Rec / KS1 will continue to have their free fruit snacks each morning, as they have done for the last few years.

In KS2, children can either bring in one healthy snack for their morning break (if they wish), such as a cereal bar, flap jack, fruit or chopped vegetables. No crisps or chocolate items please. Alternatively, they can buy up to one food and one drink item from the healthy tuck trolley (organised by the Eats staff). As each item at the tuck shop is 20p, children are not allowed to bring in more than 40p on any given day.

For information and advice about healthy snacks, you may want to visit the change4life website: <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/food-facts/healthier-snacks-for-kids>

Year 3&4 Church visit

Next Friday 14th, Years 3 and 4 will be walking down to visit St Edmunds Church at 10am, as part of their World War I topic. Please can the children bring a coat if the weather is inclement.

Football club flyers were sent home with children in Years 1 to 3 yesterday. Booking is online or by completing the booking form, the first session is on Tuesday 18 September.

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