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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a wonderful summer break and a warm welcome back to you all as we begin another exciting academic year together.

It has been fantastic to see the children looking so smart in their uniforms and settling happily into their new classrooms. Their enthusiasm and smiles have brought a wonderful energy to the school, and we're all looking forward to a productive and enjoyable term.

I'd like to extend a huge thank you for your patience and understanding as we continue to work around the building work on our site. We're doing everything we can to minimise disruption, and your cooperation has helped everything run smoothly. The classrooms are all looking really tidy following some extensive wall and floor work in Reception, Year One and Two. Thank you to our fantastic staff who have worked so hard over the summer to get it all ready; in particular to our site manager Mr Smith, who has been working with the building team throughout the holidays. It will be very exciting for us all to watch the new link corridor, hygiene and therapy rooms take shape now. Please look out for updates every Friday on our School Blog page of the website!

You will notice our new studio door which is where children attending Breakfast Club and Chill Out can access the club. Don't forget – we now have wrap around care available from 7.45 until 5.30pm. Please contact the office for further details.

With the permission of her parents, we want to tell you about a child who is starting in Reception with a number of severe allergies. She is not allowed to eat, drink or touch anything containing dairy and nuts, including all tree nuts and peanuts. Everything that she eats has to be checked and even if it says 'may contain', it has to be checked because it may not be safe for her to eat. She has medication to help her recover but sometimes she has needed to go to hospital.

We need your help to keep her safe and healthy. You can do this by helping us to reinforce the following messages with your child:

- *We will all wash our hands thoroughly before and after eating as well as following toilet visits as usual.*
- *Talk to your child about allergies and how they can make the child feel. This video may help you as parents to understand how it feels for the child.*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MqncMJY1rL0>
- *Ensuring that, as we are a nut aware school, packed lunches and snacks do not include any nut-based foods such as chocolate spread, nut bars etc.*

Thank you so much for your cooperation in helping to keep all our pupils safe.

Important Dates to share with you for the Autumn term:

- Wednesday 10th September - Year 3 Forest School starts
- Tuesday 16th September – Year 5 & 6 swimming group start
- Monday 6th October - Individual school photographs
- Wednesday 8th October – Year 4 Forest School starts
- Tuesday 21st and Wednesday 22nd October – Parents Evening – whole school
- **HALF TERM - 27th to 31st October**

- Tuesday 4th November – All Year 3 & 4 swimming starts
- Friday 7th November – School Disco FKPS
- Wednesday 12th November – Year 5 Forest School starts
- Monday 17th November – Nasal Flu Vaccinations
- Tuesday 25th November Parent workshops for Year 1, 4 and 6
- Saturday 29th November – FKPS Christmas Fayre at Turners
- Thursday 4th December – Pantomime in school
- Tuesday 9th December - Christmas Performances Year 1 and 2 for families at 10am and 2pm.
- Thursday 11th December - Christmas Nativity for Nursery and Reception families 10.30am
- Tuesday 16th December at St. Mary's Church – Christmas Carol Concert for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 at 6pm
- Wednesday 17th December - Christmas Lunch day – wear your Christmas jumper day
- Thursday 18th December - Christmas Party day in classes

Thank you once again for your support as we start this new school year. We look forward to working together to make it a happy and successful one for all our pupils and families.

Warm regards

Emma Bretherton and Angharad Welson