

Courthill Infant School

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Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back to the new school year! I hope you all had a restful(!) and enjoyable summer break. It's been wonderful to see the children return to school full of smiles, energy and excitement for the year ahead. We are all looking forward to a fantastic year of learning, growth and memorable experiences.

A very special, warm welcome to our Year Reception children and their families who are joining our school community – some for the first time and others returning. We are thrilled to begin this important learning journey with you and we look forward to supporting your children as they settle in and thrive.

A reminder that **children should come into school at 8.35-8.45am** through their specified entrances, and **school finishes at 3.05pm**. Please arrive promptly for drop-off and collection so there is minimum disruption for the children and school. I appreciate that some of you are now navigating the dreaded multiple school drop-off. We know it can take a few days to establish a routine; please get here safely and don't worry if it takes a few days to get the timings right. If timings continue to be tricky, you may wish to use our Lighthouse Club (breakfast and after school club), which you can book via Arbor. There are also other after school clubs, which run until 4pm. A full list of clubs can be found on our website along with booking arrangements and fees.

In the coming weeks, each year group will be hosting **welcome sessions**, and you are warmly invited to attend. These sessions are a great opportunity to meet the team and hear about the year ahead. A separate letter with dates and details will follow shortly. Please also look out for **Weekly Alert**, which provides lots of useful dates and reminders. Please also refer to our website (www.courthillinfants.co.uk) for other information, letters, updates etc.

Finally, a couple of quick reminders. Please note **dogs are not permitted on school property**, including all areas inside the railings (eg playgrounds, by bike racks in front of Year Reception, school office etc). If you bring a dog on the school run, please ensure they are securely tied to the external railings outside the school grounds. The only exceptions are assistance dogs and our school dog, Winnie, as they have had specialist training.

We understand that many children enjoy bringing in sweets to celebrate their birthdays. Whilst this is a lovely gesture, it can receive mixed responses from families. For this reason, we distribute any birthday treats at the end of the school day, allowing parents to decide when or if their child will have them. We kindly ask that families consider our commitment to healthy living and, where possible, opt for healthier alternatives when sending in birthday treats.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We are incredibly proud of our school community and excited to see what this year will bring – and hopefully with a little less rain than we have had so far this September!

Warm regards,
Mrs Carter, Headteacher



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