



*'Inspired to be the best that I can be'*



Dear Parents and Carers,

Wishes really do come true, as our Vaynor family are finally reunited once again. It is wonderful to be able to welcome you all back to the start of our new school year. Whilst, this year the circumstances are somewhat unusual ones, some things never change, like the looks of sheer joy and delight on the faces of our children and staff alike. Not to mention a number of parents faces too! It has been wonderful to hear the buzz of excitement back in the building as the children met up again with their old teachers before moving on to finally meet their new one.

A warm welcome to our new Reception parents and carers, it has been lovely to meet and speak to you all this week prior to the children coming into school for their stay and play sessions next week. Thank you for the lovely feedback to the team and I hope it has made the beginning of your child's journey here with us as smooth as possible in these times.

We are very pleased to announce that Mr Walker and his wife became proud new parents of a little baby girl yesterday evening. I'm sure you will join with me in congratulating them as they take a little time together as a family.

Mr Walker will be taking his paternity leave next week and Mrs Duggan will be with 2JW on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and Mrs Green & Mrs Potter on Thursday and Friday.

We are also welcoming Miss Kimberley Dudding to our Vaynor Team and I'm sure you will all make her feel very welcome and help her to settle in.

It has been a very hectic couple of days as everyone has got used to the many new systems and processes that have been put into place. The children have embraced these extremely well and we are extremely proud of how well they have begun to adapt.

Whilst I fully appreciate that some of these measures are inconvenient, at all times please remember that it is for the safety of all within our school community. Unfortunately, I am not able to adhere to the requests of each individual family to change their child's allocated drop off and pick up times as there is very clear guidance to which we are working.

I hope your children have enjoyed their first two days back in school. Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you again on Monday.

Kind Regards,



**Mrs. Sallyanne Dunstan**  
Headteacher

## FRUIT SNACKS

We have been advised that there will be no free fruit for our Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 children until Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September. Therefore, if you wish your child to have a fruit snack at breaktime can you please provide them with one from home.

Children in Years 3 and 4 will continue to need to bring in fruit from home.

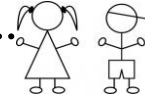
## Application for Reception places for September 2021

If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017 you need to apply for a school place by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021. This needs to be completed using the online system:

[www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions)

If you do not have internet access, please call 01905 822700 for assistance.

***The closing date for both first and middle school places is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021***



## END OF DAY COLLECTIONS

Unfortunately, **we are not able** to put our usual sibling collection arrangements in place, where siblings in different classes have been able to be collected from one classroom. Therefore, can you please ensure that you collect your youngest child first.

## DO YOU QUALIFY?

During this period the circumstances of many families have changed and therefore you may now be eligible for the income based Free School Meals. Please note that this is different to the free meals that all Reception, Year 1 and 2 children are entitled to when school is open. It also entitles you to other financial assistance. If you are at all unsure, please click on the link below to see if you qualify.

[http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20062/schools/684/applying\\_for\\_free\\_school\\_meals/2](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20062/schools/684/applying_for_free_school_meals/2)