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School Mission Statement

This week in school children are being reminded of our school mission statement. In summary, this means:

Following Christ's teachings while respectfully learning, playing and working together.

Safeguarding

On 1 September, Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSIE) 2020 came into force.

This is the document that informs our school safeguarding policy which you will find on our school website. We would like to remind you that if we have concerns we will follow up on these, and normally may speak to you first.

It is always our priority to protect our children and ensure that they are happy and safe.



Secondary Transition meetings—Girls and Boys

We are planning socially-distanced meetings for parents whose children are in Year 6 regarding moving to secondary school.

Parents will wait on the school playground at 3pm and will be taken to the hall.

Girls—meeting Thursday 8th October at 3pm

Boys—meeting Wednesday 14th October at 3pm

Please let us know by email if you are **unable** to make these times as we will hold a meeting on **Tuesday 13th October at 9am if required.**

Important dates for your diary...

Friday 9th October—Harvest Festival
Please bring a donation for foodbank
Friday 9th October—Welcome to school service—Reception (Fr. Terry)
Week beginning 12th October—school Science week
Friday 24th October—Non-uniform day—End of half term.

Parents Evenings this term
Parents evenings will be a phone conversation with your child's class teacher. Teachers will phone you over the next few weeks and arrange a mutually agreeable time to speak about your child's progress. This will be in place of face-to-face meetings. If in the meantime you have concerns or wish to contact the teacher, please email the school and ask for an earlier meeting. Some of these discussions will take place after half term.

Homework and Google Classrooms

Children in Years 2—6 will have homework set on Google classrooms from next week. If your child has difficulty accessing this work you need to let your class teacher know, and they will ensure you have other ways to access this.

Mathematics Textbooks—Please return

Last year we allowed children to take home an ISEB textbook for their yeargroup. Thank you to parents who have returned these.

Teachers have kept a record of which book your child had, so if you have not returned this text book you will not be able to borrow one this year. We do not have enough of these books in school for all our children, and need them back for lessons and to loan out again if your child needs to learn at home at any point this year.

Reading

Pivotal to any solid academic education is the understanding of English. Children need good reading habits to develop academically. Please ask your child to read—to you, independently, or read to them—in order for them to thrive academically. Children should be reading, or being read to, for 20—30 minutes each day.

Health and Fitness Week

This week we have been learning about the importance of keeping ourselves healthy. Ask your child how they can keep themselves healthy—I bet you will be surprised at how much they know! The school had an exotic fruit box delivered to every class this week. The children had the opportunity to sample the different fruits and the older children even helped to cut and peel them. The pupils in the EYFS used their left over fruit to make a variety of smoothies which proved to be very popular!



Every student also received their very own skipping rope which they have used to take part in various activities throughout the week, including a circuit of mini games led by Mrs Pratley!

