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WELCOME BACK

Dear Parents / Carers,

On behalf of all the staff at Southcoates, I would like to welcome you and your children back after the summer holiday. I hope that you have had a peaceful and relaxing break. As the new school year begins, I would like to give a few messages about the year ahead about how we can work together to help the children get the most out of their time in school.

I believe that school should be a partnership between staff, parents and children - it works best when we support and help one-another. My staff are happy to listen to concerns and worries and will always work to resolve any incidents and offer any support that we can. I ask that if you have any concerns that you bring these to the attention of class teachers either at the start or at the end of the day.

Regular, consistent attendance will help your child(ren) to make the most progress both academically and socially. I know my own children are not always keen to get up in the morning, especially after the six - week holiday, but the routine of school life certainly helps with their behaviour! We will continue to have termly and yearly awards and prizes for attendance. Everyone who meets the government target of 96% attendance will get a certificate each term and a prize at the end of the year. Smyths Toy Superstore vouchers were given out on the last day of the school year for everyone who achieved 100% attendance for the year and one child even won a tablet computer for meeting the 96% target.

Please try to get children to school on time between 8:45 and 8:55 each day. Again, I know things can get in the way occasionally, but arriving at school on time means that the children are here for the start of the lesson. It is not always possible for teachers to recap on learning for those children who have arrived late. Also, please remember that the gates will be opened at 3:20pm, ready for the children to leave at 3:25pm.

Reading at home makes a massive impact on children's progress in all subjects. Please try to find some time, even just 5-10 minutes, for an adult to listen to your child(ren) read. We will be continuing with the weekly three-read-challenge with certificates and prizes for children who read at home, 3 times per week.

As I have walked around classrooms this morning, I have been very impressed with the children's behaviour and attitudes towards their learning. They are dressed very smartly and have made a great start to the year.

Thank you for your continued support - we are all looking forward to a fantastic year, working together to get the best for your children.

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