

## Springfield Primary Academy

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Dear Parent

I would like to welcome all current and new parents to the beginning of what we hope will be another exciting academic year. The staff and myself are excited and prepared to guide your children through the next part of their journey.

### Communication with Parents

At the moment, we use both Class Dojo and My Child at School (MCaS) to communicate with you. This term we will ensure that all letters sent will go via MCaS. Class Dojo will be used for day to day communication from teachers – change in PE day, reminders from teachers, etc.

Class Dojo also gave you the ability to message your child's class teacher. Unfortunately, staff can no longer keep up with the number of messages they receive. During the day all teachers are very busy working with your children so we will no longer be using this facility. All teachers are available on the door or the playground in the morning, all other messages should be sent through the school office.

If your child is absent from school, please contact the school office. All class teachers will be sending a routine letter out this week. This letter will provide you with all class organisation information.

### Parents' Evenings

The children have settled back into school and are getting into a routine. On Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October and Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October you will have an opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher to discuss how the first half term has gone. If you have any concerns about your child prior to parents evening, please do not hesitate to get in touch with your child's class teacher.

### Extra Curriculum Clubs

This year our aim is to provide more extra-curricular activities. The children who regularly go to after school club will have opportunity, within after school club, to attend a cooking club, knitting/sewing club and a gardening club. At lunchtime teachers will be providing indoor clubs throughout the winter months. For example a games club, mindful colouring, Lego, reading and story writing. We will also continue to provide after school clubs but we are trying to provide a variety of different ones. (e.g. cooking and recorder).

### Lunchtimes

At lunchtime, we are trialling a number of options, please bear with us over the next couple of weeks. This is in response to previous parental concerns. We are exploring ways to alleviate boredom and arguments on the KS2 playground. This also means that as part of our drive to encourage a healthy lifestyle, the children will be more active as well as developing skills. My priority is that all children feel safe and happy.

Yours faithfully

T Storr