

St. Andrew's C.E. Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome to the new school year and I hope you all had a fantastic summer. It has been lovely to meet so many of you already over the last couple of mornings. Mrs Gerrish and I will be on one of the gates/playgrounds each morning and we are always happy to have a chat. If you need to speak to somebody about a specific incident, please talk to the class teacher in the first instance.

The children have settled into the start of term really well and I can already see some great learning behaviours in the classroom. Over the first two days I have been especially blown away by the neat presentation of work in year 2 classes, and the friendly competitiveness in year 3. The general politeness of the children is a testament to the whole school community.

It is incredibly exciting that we have had a complete refurbishment of nursery over the summer with a brand new classroom and cloakroom area, and also outside play area. It went right down to the wire on Wednesday night that the toilets were finished, and the staff worked incredibly hard to get the classroom ready for the children's arrival yesterday. Well done everyone!

A few reminders to help keep the school safe:

- The school car park is for staff only. Alternative suitable parking should be found outside of the school gates for picking up, dropping off, and WAC. Please be respectful of our neighbours' properties.
- Any bikes and scooters on school site must be pushed.
- If your child is absent from school, please call the school absence line before 9am for each day of absence. It is a safeguarding requirement that we know the whereabouts of all children, and this will save us valuable office time chasing parents.

I am really excited to be a part of your school community and am hugely appreciative of the warm welcome I have received. I look forward to leading St Andrew's and building upon the already excellent ethos and spirit of the school.

Warmest wishes,
Jon Jeffries
Headteacher

