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MESSAGE FROM MRS DINNIS

Welcome back to school! I hope you had an enjoyable summer holiday and took full advantage of all the sunshine we were so lucky to have this year! The children have made a really positive start to the new school year and have settled really quickly into their new classes. A very warm welcome to all of the new children who have joined in Foundation and our other joiners and teachers across the school, we hope you will be really happy at Weston Mill.



PARENT PAY



SCHOOL DINNERS/BREAKFAST CLUB REMINDER

Please can you **PAY IN ADVANCE** for all lunches and before attending our Breakfast Club.



Please Note School Meals are now £2.20 per day



All accounts need to be settled on a daily basis or Paid in Advance

Please contact the school office if you have any questions or would like some assistance using Parent Pay. Thank you.

Reminders from the School Uniform Policy

The children have started the term looking very smart in their new uniform. Please make sure that that your child's uniform is named, it is very difficult to locate and return clothing to the correct child if the item is without a name. Please also include your child's coat; we already have a small pile of unnamed coats in lost property!

PE kits – please make sure your child's named PE kit has been sent into school.

Children whose hair is shoulder length or longer should tie it back during school time where possible. Hairclips and headbands should be **plain** and should not cause obstruction to anyone's learning, or cause distraction to any learner.

Thank you for your support.

Congratulations

We would like to congratulate the Year 6 children who applied to be our Head Boy/Girl this year, they all spoke with confidence and portrayed themselves in a very good light.

Congratulations to **Crawford K** and **Isla P** we are sure will be fantastic role models for our pupils.



Miss Catherwood has given birth to a little boy Joshua, mum and baby are doing well and we can't wait to meet him.

REMINDERS

The welcome meetings with the new class teachers for parents are at 3.15pm and are as follows

KS1 - Tuesday 18th September Y1 in Octopus classroom – Mrs Butson
Y2 in Narwhal classroom – Miss Young

KS2 - Wednesday 19th September In the school hall

FS - Wednesday 19th September Seahorse classroom – Foundation Classroom



FSA update

Welcome back and a big hello to all new parents and Families to Weston Mill. I hope you all had an enjoyable summer break!

For the Parents and Families who may not know me, my name is Katy Dow your Family Support Advisor (FSA) at Weston Mill. I am here to support you in anything you may face or encounter as your child takes their journey through the Weston Mill Academy.

I can offer you:

- Support in meetings both in school and with other agencies
- Support with completing any forms or paperwork
- I hold food bank vouchers
- Developing activities and opportunities to meet with other parents in school including coffee mornings, and courses such as seasonal creative arts , first aid etc.
- Signposting and referrals to other services
- Housing advice/support
- Passing your views, praises and concerns to the school
- AND LOTS MORE.....

I am available throughout the week, if you would like to see me please contact the schools reception on 365250 or my email; k.dow@discoverymat.co.uk

I would like to invite all parents and families to a coffee/tea morning on Friday 21st September at 9am (In the HUT/outside classroom – this is located in the playground) This will be an opportunity to introduce myself to new parents/families to the school, and to also discuss the support I can offer. I am also keen to catch up with all and to listen to any ideas. Most important have a nice cuppa, and I am sure a slice of cake!!

I am looking at booking some parent/family courses to be held in school. I would like to know if there is any interest in a glass/silk painting course and a First Aid course? These will be FREE of charge, and will also have a free crèche for parents with younger children aged 12months – 5 years. If you could, contact myself on the school's office number – (365250) ASAP. This giving me an idea on interest, so I can go ahead and book this with 'Family Learning - On Course'.

Katy Dow



Important Dates

Dates
for your



24/09/18 NSPCC Parent workshop

24/09/18 NSPCC Pupil workshop

12/10/18 Individual photos

22/10-26/10 HALF TERM

21/12/18 Last day of term

07/01/19 Children return from
Christmas break

18/02-22/02 HALF TERM

Speak out, Stay safe



Parent workshop

Monday 24th September 2pm-3pm in the hall.

Apologies for having to re-arrange this, we look forward to seeing lots of you there.

We raised over £200 from our mufti day today, thank you all for your support.

Attendance for w/c 10/09/18

The expected average percentage attendance for a child is 96%. Please see below the current class attendance data.

Octopus	94.8%
Stingray	93.0%
Turtle	99.0%
Narwhal	91.5%
Dolphin	98.3%
Shark	96.2%
Orca	94.0%
Lobster	90.4%
Shrimp	98.3%
Seadragon	90.8%
Jellyfish	97.6%
Coral	99.1%



Medication

Please could all children with Asthma inhalers and medicines complete a new consent form ASAP if you haven't already, or we will be unable to administer. We are still awaiting several inhalers to come back into school following the summer break. Prescription labels are required for all medication administered in school. Thank you



Staff News

We would like to congratulate Miss Evenden (now Mrs Burch) who got married over the summer and is expecting her first child in December. Also Miss Harris expecting her first child in February, many congratulations to you both.

Discovery Multi Academy Trust - VACANCIES

Cleaner, Permanent x 3 Grade A - £8.75 per hour

Required from 1st October 2018 or as soon as possible after.

The successful candidate will be reliable, hardworking, punctual and a good team worker.

2 x permanent cleaning positions initially at **Beechwood Primary Academy**

12.5 hours per week (2.5hours per day) 41 weeks per annum, Monday to Friday, timings to be confirmed.

1 x permanent cleaning position initially at **Weston Mill Community Primary Academy**

14.5 hours per week (3 hours per day) 41 weeks per

annum, Monday to Friday, timings to be confirmed.

If you are interested in this opportunity please complete an application form which can be found on the Discovery MAT website, and submit to the Facilities and ICT Manager: l.rust@discoverymat.co.uk by 17th September 2018. Interviews will take place on 26th September 2018. Please specify on your application form which school you wish to apply for.

Little Stars Group

Little Stars Group is run by parents for parents
Children age 0-4years welcome

At Weston Mill Primary School

Wednesday 9am-11am (Term time only)

£1.50 per family (includes snack)

Call 01752365250 for more information or just drop in
and meet our friendly group leaders Emma and Terry
Palmer



Little Stars Group

Join our PTFA!

Make your children happier at school
by joining our **PTFA**. Without your help,
we won't be able to have other fun
activities and discos.

For further information, please contact us!

