

# Welcome back

September 2023





I would like to start by saying a huge thank you to Mr Cutts, Mr Cousins and their families for the wonderful job they did cementing all of the pupils painted pebbles in to the pathway by the hall. This looks so lovely! I will add some photos to our Facebook page for you to have a look at.

### Road safety

Please ensure that pupils are walking carefully on their way to school and encourage them not to run across the road as often staff and delivery vans or driving in and out of school. We have also spoken to Years 5 and 6 about road safety and we encourage you to do so at home. If you feel that you have seen pupils not walking safely please let us know so that we can keep the reminders going. It is lovely that the children have this independence and we want to ensure they are as safe as possible.

## Car park

Please remember that only in exceptional circumstances is permission given to parents and carers to use the staff car park. Please do not drive up to the school or use the bus lane when dropping pupils off, even when running

late. If you could also be very mindful when parking on Erbury Place as this week our school bus was unable to get passed the parked cars and a member of staff had to walk down to collect the children.

**Violin and Viola Tuition** Would your child like to try playing violin? Our visiting teacher Mr Richard Partridge is offering free taster sessions on Wednesday 27th September and 4th October, hoping to begin teaching some new starters after half term. Please send an email to {address} by Friday 22nd September, asking for your child to be put on the list for a taster session and giving consent for Mr Partridge to email you directly with full details. He will bring instruments for the children to try. This offer is open to anyone in year 2 and above.

### Pupil premium

Pupils who receive Pupil
Premium funding are
eligible for additional
support from school with
wrap around care, uniform
and contributions towards
school trips. Rather than
sending the form out at
the start of the year this
year we are going to trial
offering the support
throughout the year so

please approach the office if you have not already done so. If you do not need the additional support with uniform at the moment then you can approach us later in the year. We feel this may be a better system.

Please also remember there is a large amount of quality second hand uniform in the front office. All families are welcome to come and have a look and take what they need. If you wish to leave a small donation you can, and there is a donation option on ParentPay also. However, the donation is not compulsory so please take what you need.

Data sheets These will be sent home with your child in a sealed envelope. Please check all information is up to date. It is essential that we have at least two emergency contact numbers for your child please.

Catkins It is essential that pupils are booked into catkins via parentpay. If we reach a certain number we arrange additional staff. If your child is not booked in then they may not be able to attend.

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