#### Dear Parents,

Welcome back to this exciting new term. The children have come back to school with lots of enthusiasm and I am enjoying getting to know them all. It has also been great to meet you on the playground; do come and say hello if you haven't already had the opportunity to do so. I will be out on the playground as often as possible both before and after school but just to remind you that on Tuesday and Wednesday I will be in school from 9.30am to 2.30pm to allow me time to still be a Grandma! There is also an opportunity for you to come and informally meet me over a cup of tea on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September from 2.30pm; I hope to see as many of you as possible.

### Staffing

This term we welcome the following teachers: Miss Georgia Spooner who is teaching Holly Class, Mrs Louisa French who is teaching in Buttercups Class on Mondays and Tuesdays and Mrs Emily Turner who is teaching in Ivy Class on Thursday mornings. I hope they will be very happy during their time with us.

### Celebration assemblies

Every Tuesday morning we will be having a Celebration assembly at 10.30am where we will celebrate the fantastic achievements from the previous week. I hope that you will be able to attend when your child is celebrating. If your child is celebrating the class teacher will send a slip home with them by Friday of the previous week.

### Respect Certificates

In a recent assembly I introduced the children to my 'Tree of Respect' and 'Respect' certificates. We discussed what was meant by respect and how they could earn a respect certificate. The child can be nominated by any adult in the school. We are waiting to see who will be the first child to get a certificate and have a leaf on the tree!

### School uniform

Please can you ensure that your child comes to school dressed in the correct school uniform, including school shoes. If you need a reminder of the correct uniform there is a display on the window by the office. Many thanks for your co-operation with this.

### Picking up at the end of the school day.

If you are unavoidably delayed and are not able to pick up at 3pm please contact the office so we can let your child know as they may get anxious if they are unaware of where you are. Any child who has not been picked up when their teacher comes back into school from seeing off the rest of the class will be supervised in Ivy Classroom. Please can you ensure that you collect them from there so that we know they have gone home safely. Thank you for your help with this.

## Reading Helpers

We are always very grateful when parents offer to help with reading, if anyone is able to help out with reading in school, please let the office know.

### Clubs

Clubs will be starting next week. Please make sure payments are received by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September.

### Reception 2015 Open Days

If you have a child due to start school in September 2015 please inform the office of their name and date of birth and please make a note of our Open Days. If you know of anyone that would be interested in attending one of our Open Days please pass the following information on to them. Thank you.

Open Morning - Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2014, 10am – Midday Open Morning - Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2014, 10am – Midday Open Afternoon - Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2014, 1pm – 2pm

# <u>Swimming</u>

Swimming starts Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2014 for Ivy class.

### Important dates so far

Date	Time	Event
9 <sup>th</sup> September	3.00pm	Come and meet your child's class teacher and look at their classroom
12 <sup>th</sup> September	From 2.30pm	Come and meet me informally over a cup of tea
30 <sup>th</sup> September and 1 <sup>st</sup> October		Y6 parent and child consultations- details to follow
3 <sup>rd</sup> October	From 8.30am	School photo's for families and individuals
3 <sup>rd</sup> October	2.00pm	Harvest festival service in the Church – all very welcome
10 <sup>th</sup> October	5.30pm-7.30pm	Parent consultations
13 <sup>th</sup> October	2.30pm -5.30pm	Parent consultations
16 <sup>th</sup> October	10.00am – Midday	Open morning – Rec 2015
22 <sup>nd</sup> October	10.00am - Midday	Open morning – Rec 2015
24 <sup>th</sup> October		School closed- Inset day
27 <sup>th</sup> October-31 <sup>st</sup> October inclusive		Half term
3 <sup>rd</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup> November		Themed week – 'Around the World' – more details to follow
6 <sup>th</sup> November	1.00pm – 2.00pm	Open afternoon – Rec 2015
1 <sup>st</sup> December	All day	Decorations day – please come in and help
16 <sup>th</sup> December	1.30pm	KS1 Nativity
17 <sup>th</sup> December	9.00am	KS1 Nativity
17 <sup>th</sup> December	pm	Rainbow Theatre pantomime
18 <sup>th</sup> December	pm	Christmas parties

Regards Jill Dawson