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For every child a chance to shine*



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Our staggered drop off in the morning is running smoothly and has been very successful. To ensure that the pick-up also runs as smoothly and swiftly I would like to remind parents and carers **to arrive promptly at your child's allocated drop off and pick up time, not before and leave promptly**. This will reduce gathering on the pavement outside the school gates in groups more than 6 (this includes children) which is against government guidelines. We must all maintain 2m social distancing on entry and exit to and from the playground. We will continue to monitor this over the coming weeks.

Teachers will be setting a homework task this week which will be due in to mark on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October. This half term the homework will link to the theme or topic being studied in class. Teachers will encourage children to be creative, use problem solving skills and talk about their homework with you. You can support your child with their homework task by discussing how they want to tackle it and supporting them with resources and questions. Reception children will sometimes have challenges set on Tapestry and phonics sounds sent home at the end of each week.

Pret-a-Portrait came into school on Wednesday and all the children had an individual photo taken. Please check in your child's bag for the details of how to order these photos.

If you need to speak with your child's class teacher we ask you to please **email the office in advance and the class teacher will arrange to contact you either by phone or email**. It is very difficult for teachers to speak with parents at drop off or pick up as they are extremely busy welcoming their class of children into school and then safely handing them over to parents and carers at the end of the day.

We thank you for your support with this matter. I hope you have a lovely weekend and look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Best wishes

Adele McMurrrough Head teacher

