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For every child a chance to shine*



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Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been lovely to see the children settling into routines and developing their independence. Year 4 buddies deserve a particular mention as they have taken to their new roles like ducks to water, offering support to both staff and younger pupils during lunchtimes.

Reminders:

School clubs will begin next week from the 26th September. If your child is attending an afterschool, club please can you collect them from the main office reception at 4:00pm. Royston town football and multi-skills clubs will finish at 4:15pm. Booking via their website is essential.

School photos:

Individual child photos and sibling photos will take place on Thursday 29th September. Sibling photos are only for children within the school Reception to Year 4. Year 2 parents please send your child to school in uniform with their forest school clothes in a bag to change into. Year 3 and 4 parents please send your child in in uniform with their PE kits in a bag to change into.

Parent chat:

Parent chat will begin this term. This will be an opportunity for parents to meet with Headteacher and Deputy Head to discuss and give parent viewpoint on various aspects of school life. Every parent is welcome regardless of their own school experiences and or confidence. We value everyone's input. Our first parent chat will be at 2:40 - 3:10pm on Wednesday 28th September. The second parent chat will be at 9:00 - 9:30am 16th November.

Individual Health care Plans

Emails went out to parents of children who have a medical condition. Please fill out the questionnaire as soon as possible so we have the most up to date information regarding your child and their medication. This is essential in order for us to keep your children safe. If your child no longer needs this please notify the office on 01763271235.

Scarlett fever

Scarlett fever cases are higher than normal for this time of year so please be vigilant. Signs and Symptoms of Scarlet Fever Scarlet fever is a common childhood infection caused by *Streptococcus pyogenes*, or group A streptococcus (GAS). The early symptoms of scarlet fever include sore throat, headache, fever, nausea and vomiting.

After 12 to 48 hours the characteristic red, pinhead rash develops, typically first appearing on the chest and stomach, then rapidly spreading to other parts of the body, and giving the skin a sandpaper-like texture. The scarlet rash may be harder to spot on darker skin, although the 'sandpaper' feel





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should be present. Patients typically have flushed cheeks and pallor around the mouth. This may be accompanied by a 'strawberry tongue'. As the child improves peeling of the skin can occur

Road Safety:

It has come to our attention that there have been a couple of serious accidents involving children and cars in the past few months. In school we will be raising the profile of road safety both in assembly and in class. We would ask you to also discuss this at home with your children and be extra vigilant when driving around Buntingford, especially near schools.

Best wishes

Adele McMurrough- Headteacher

