

St Day and Carharrack Primary School

Self-Belief, Determination and Courage

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WELCOME BACK TO EVERYONE!

We hope you all had a wonderful break and enjoyed the sunshine with family and friends. It is lovely to see all our children excited to be back in school. A special warm welcome to our new Reception children and families. In addition we welcome our new class teachers – Miss Rogers in Yr 4 and Miss Clark in Yr 5. You will see a new face in the office – Mrs Headdon so please do introduce yourself and say hello. We wish everyone a successful and happy year ahead and look forward to the exciting ideas new members bring.

Everyone is welcome to join us on Thursday 26th September for an informal 'Welcome Afternoon and BBQ' so please save the date. There will be learning information stalls set up by teachers, an opportunity to visit your child in class and chat with staff and governors. More information to follow shortly.

As you can see, we have had a busy summer making the school grounds safe. Hopefully the project will be completed by 20th September. In the meantime please bear with us and the changes we are still going through on a daily basis. We are asking for your support with dropping your children off in the playground only as this will make routines easier once all the gates are secure. Any important messages can be left in the school office. This will increase your child's independence and allow for a timely, safe start to the school day (please see the letters sent out in July).

We have a 'Whizz, Bang, Popping' start to the new school year with all classes focused on a Science topic for this term. This will help us all to work scientifically - to become superb scientists across the school. You will receive a 'curriculum overview' for your child so you are aware of all the exciting learning and can be part of your child's journey of discovery. Every class has planned a 'real project' resulting in a final event, product or celebration in time for Christmas. In addition, every class will be out and about in the local community to give their learning a real purpose and there is a planned trip further afield – to give learning a real sense of purpose and enjoyment.

Science learning coincides with Roald Dahl Day – your child may be concocting potions and lotions, writing and making revolting rhymes, reading favourite Roald Dahl stories and performing across the school by reading aloud for effect. Start practising your favourite Roald Dahl paragraphs! This is a great opportunity to make up nonsense words, explore new vocabulary and read widely.

To make all this possible and to ensure the safety of your child at all times, we must comply with all **SAFEGUARDING regulations**. We need your support in completing all the forms below and returning all of them to school as a priority by **Tuesday 10th**

September. It is crucial that we check all the information for your child and update any changes. In line with statutory guidance we need to have at least **two emergency contact numbers**, preferably three. **Every child will receive an envelope on Friday 6th September, containing the following crucial documents which need to be returned in the envelope - to enable your child to access all areas of the curriculum including clubs:**

1. **Data Collection Form** - Please find attached a **data collection** form with details we currently hold on our system for your child. **If there are any changes to your child's contact details please amend the form where necessary.**
2. **Trip Consent Form** – this will cover your child for the whole year.
3. **Free School Meals and Pupil Premium Application** – If you think you might be eligible, we urge you to complete this form to enable our school to benefit from additional funding. We will give every eligible family £200 towards school costs including, trips, uniform, clubs, music provision or additional activities you feel would support your child. This information is held in absolute confidence. Children are not aware of being free school meals or pupil premium.
4. **Caterlink Allergy Form**
5. **Contact by Email Form** - We are trying to save costs by moving our newsletter to email. In addition, we would like to use email as a more effective way to send important reminders/messages straight to your phone. You will have an option to select this.
6. **Clubs Form** – all the above safeguarding and contact forms need to be returned and completed to be considered for a club place. Priority will be given to families 424
7. returning forms on time. There may well be a waiting list for clubs.

If your child is allowed to walk home alone, then we will need you to complete the written consent form (necessary to dismiss your child).

We appreciate your co-operation in returning all the forms so that the office does not have to spend an extraordinary amount of time chasing them up – all the forms will be available on the website rather than the office photocopying them again. Thank you.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **Monday 9th September – SCHOOL IS CLOSED – INSET training**
- **Thursday 12th September – NO FUNZONE AFTER SCHOOL CLUB – we apologise for any inconvenience.**
- **13th September** – Roald Dahl Celebrations
- **16th September** – Clubs start (Club letter to complete)

We are looking forward to another exciting year with your children. My door is always open if you have any concerns- no matter how small – please catch me in the morning or after school or you can make an appointment through the office.

Yours sincerely

Susannah Storey

Headteacher