



Friday 10th September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

As we are at the end of our first full week, I wanted to welcome everyone back to school. The staff are looking forward to an exciting Autumn term full of interesting and fun learning opportunities. We are all hoping for a more 'normal' school year.

I would like to also welcome Miss Frank who has joined the Year 2 teaching team.

Years 1 and 2 have settled in extremely well after the summer break and it is lovely to see the school full of smiling faces and hearing the buzz of excited voices as they work with friends in their new classrooms. A very warm welcome to our new Year 1 and Year 2 children who have joined the school this academic year.

Our reception classes also began in Little Alwyn on Wednesday for their half day visits. The staff were amazed at how fabulously the children came into school and got straight to work, exploring their new classroom and resources. Many of the children have told me that they cannot wait to start coming all day!

Remember to check the school website for information. We do also send out regular emails and text reminders to keep informed about school events.

Drop off/collection times

Thank you for following our drop off and collection procedures, especially for your patience at the end of the day as teachers take the time to get to know the adults who are collecting each child. Remember to let us know if someone else is going to be collecting your child as we do not send the children out with people we don't know.

I realise the pathways can become congested at the end of the day and I would ask you to be patient and considerate as you pass by the class lines. For children who bring scooters into school, could you make sure they do not ride on the school site because it does get busy and we do not want anyone to get hurt or have an accident. Thank you for your support and understanding with all these matters.

Helpers in School

All teachers look forward to having parent/carer helpers in their classrooms. If you are able to participate, please see your child's class teacher as it is necessary to carry out a mandatory police check on all regular volunteers in school. As a helper, please do not come into school if you or anyone in your household has COVID-19 symptoms or has tested positive.

Alwyn & Courthouse PTA (Parent and Teacher Association)

As a parent/carer of a child who attends the school, you automatically become part of our school PTA. We are extremely lucky to have a committed team of members who work hard to put together fun fundraising events to support the school and some great social events. To find out about upcoming PTA events you can look at the Facebook page (Alwyn & Courthouse PTA) and our school website. If you would like to take a more active role, they are always looking for new people to help. As a school, we are very grateful for their hard work and commitment.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

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Head of School