

Early Birds and Evening Owls Autumn Newsletter

October 2018



We would like to thank all our families for their continued support and welcome all our new families who have joined us this term.



We have changed our award system this year and children can be moved up on the star chart by following our virtues and maintaining a happy and fun club for all children to enjoy attending. We also encourage independence and ask children to return toys after use. Please encourage this when collecting your child/ren from club.

Ten children reaching the Gold Star by the end of each term will receive a prize. Two children from Year 6 will also be chosen for their achievements. These are shown by certificates issued throughout the term.

We are extremely happy with all of the children's outstanding behaviour so far this term.



Snack has now changed and all children have the opportunity to eat when they arrive in club. Year 6 children are enjoying the role of serving the snack and clearing away afterwards. This is giving them the opportunity to be more responsible and be good role models to others. They are doing really well at the moment. This will be monitored and changes made if necessary.



The security gates to the school automatically open at 7.40 a.m. This allows enough time to walk round ready for when club opens at 7.45 a.m.



Please note club is now full most mornings and evenings. We only have limited places available. If you require extra sessions, please ensure you have booked them.

Due to demand we now have a waiting list in place. Unfortunately, we can only offer places if they become available.

If you are cancelling/booking sessions, please follow our procedures as stated in the parent handbook. All booked sessions are payable.



Please ensure you make staff aware of any medical conditions. If prescribed medication is to be administered during the school day, please complete the relevant medication form. Medication cannot be given without it. If your child requires an inhaler, please provide a spare one for use in club, so that it is accessible if needed. This should not be the same inhaler that is used in school.



Please **do not** use the keypad to open the door when arriving at the club. This is a security door and should not be opened by parents/children. The safety of everyone in club is our priority.



We do encourage children to complete homework if necessary. So please speak to a member of staff if your child would benefit from this and a suitable area will be allocated. Please discuss this with your child/ren if you feel this would help.



If during the next term you are sorting old toys. Please consider donating any you do not need to the club. The children really enjoy playing with cars, super heroes, barbie dolls etc, these items are quite expensive to replace and we would be grateful of any donations.



Along with school, we are learning about a different virtue each half term and asking the children how they can use and show this virtue. Next half term we are concentrating on being faith-filled and hopeful. This is a great opportunity for the children to move up on our star chart or receive certificates to go towards the end of term prizes.



We have a variety of books in our library and the children can borrow these on a nightly or weekly basis. We hope this encourages lots more wonderful free reading for all the children. Please ensure they return the books in the same condition.



The children really enjoy outside activities and we try to offer this most evening weather permitting.

We are accessing Reception playground some evenings to give some variation to the choices, the field is used as well as the playground equipment.

We also use the ICT suite and the hall if the weather is bad.



We will be running a Christmas Fayre in club during week beginning 10th December. This is a good fundraiser and gives us the opportunity to purchase more equipment the children request. Posters will be displayed nearer the date.

Thank you for your continued co-operation.

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