

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a new school year! We have had a super start back to the new term with children settling in to their new classrooms and into the school routine. Staff have worked really hard over the summer to make sure that the classrooms are stimulating, bright and attractive. Children look smart in their uniforms and there is a lovely atmosphere... a real learning buzz!

We start the year in a very strong position, celebrating our results across all key stages, which are well above national and a credit to all children and staff involved. We had a Local Authority 'Health Check' at the end of summer, which was extremely positive.

- 'Examples of pupils' independence and confidence and were observed in lessons. Discussions with pupils indicated an ownership of learning'
- 'Classrooms and corridors seen on this visit were vibrant and exciting. They included 2 and 3-dimensional work and eye-catching displays.'
- 'A number of examples of outstanding cross curricular work were seen in selected classes from each key stage.'
- "In carrying out the end of year evaluation, leaders should consider evidence from monitoring against the current Ofsted criteria for outstanding'.

Well done to everyone in our community, this is an excellent start for a new academic year.

Welcome to Michelle Sambrook, our new School Business Manager, Emma Shacklady in Year Three and Hallie! Hallie is the new addition to the Bullock family! Congratulations Miss Bullock! Congratulations to Mrs Cartlidge (formerly Miss Cookson) who had a lovely wedding during the Summer. Congratulations to Miss Cope, who is now a 'Specialist Leader of Education' and will be sharing her expertise with other schools in Stoke on Trent and Staffordshire. Finally, a big welcome to our new Nursery children and other children who are starting in other year groups. We look forward to a super year!

Team points

This year, all of children will be achieving team points. Family teams are Bears, Owls, Lions and Foxes. Your children will be able to tell you more about their team!



Attendance

Our overall attendance is 98% this week. These classes have 100% attendance:

Nursery, Red Reception, 4JM. Well done these classes!



Reminder

The school bell goes at 8:50am, don't be late!



Reminder

Term dates, menus and updated school dates are all on the website.