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Dear Parents and Carers

We are really impressed with the children's attitude to learning and school life. Year R are settling in really well. If you have any questions or concerns about your child, please speak to their class teacher as soon as possible.









Year 1 and Year 2 have moved into their new classes and are quickly demonstrating that they are ready to learn and to "Be the Best that they Can"!









Year R children have also settled into school life extremely well.

More photos are available on our school website https://www.manbylodge.co.uk/blog/

Cricket Green Car Park

Last week we were informed that one of our parents was hit by a car in the car-park. According to the parent it didn't cause her harm, but she asked that we share this with our parent community as it could have been a child that was hit, and not an adult.

Please take lots of care when you are parking at drop-off or pick-up. There are spaces in roads further from the school so leaving home 5-10 minutes earlier in the morning may mean that you are in less of a rush and able to park safely.

Class Reps

It is important that you let our office staff know who your Class Rep is, in each class. Some classes have two representatives. The role involves acting as a liaison between home and school, and sometimes passing on important messages.

We also invite Class Reps to join us (probably remotely) for a Parent Voice Meeting on a regular basis. This gives parents the opportunity to raise issues with us that may come up. It allows us to be able to explain the rationale behind decisions when we implement changes in school, and enables you to feedback to us your views.

Our first Parent Voice Meeting will be held on Tuesday 19th October at 9.15am.

The classes who have not informed us who the Class Rep is are: Duckling & Gosling



Lunchtimes – Family Service and Special Diets

Family Service is running really smoothly and children are developing great skills in serving their own food and helping each other on their tables at lunchtime.

Please remember that if your child has any allergies or requires a special diet that you must communicate this clearly to us in school. Further information can be found on this page.

Parent Teacher Consultations

In the past 18 months we have made a number of changes in response to the Covid Pandemic. One of them was to hold Parent Teacher Consultations virtually using Teams technology. We plan to hold this term's meetings with parents using the same format.

If you have any strong views and or you feel that it is very important to meet your child's class teacher in person, please let us know via the school office so that we can plan accordingly.

Our School Business Manager

Finally I would like you to join me in saying Goodbye and Good Luck to Mrs Hayley Atkins, who is leaving us at the end of this week. Hayley has secured the post of School Business Manager at St James C of E Primary School. Some of you may not know Hayley, or about the position. Business Mangers carry out an essential role in schools and it has been a pleasure to work with Hayley. She has played a big part in supporting our Senior Leadership Team to navigate the school throughout the last, challenging, 18 months. I wish her lots of success at St James.

We welcome Mrs Helen Plummer as our new School Business Manager.

Key Dates

Please find attached an **updated list of Key Dates** for the Autumn Term with this Newsletter.

Kind regards,

Míríam Morris









