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# Head's *update*

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Welcome back after the October half term break. I hope you all had a great holiday and are looking forward to the busy term ahead. The clocks have gone back and British summertime is officially over!

This week we have reminded all children to keep safe during both Halloween and Bonfire night celebrations. The local PCSO has also been into school to talk to the children about keeping safe.

Term two is as busy as usual. The new Junior Leadership Team have been elected and I look forward to working with them this term. They have a couple of new ideas that they are hoping to drive forward. A huge well done to these twelve children and I wish them the best of luck in their new roles.

You may have noticed Year 3 children took to the South End stage last half term. They can now continue to move their learning on without any interruptions right up to the summer term. In December, we will be having a change to our normal Christmas routines. Year 5 children will be leading a Christmas carol service in the afternoon, and one in the evening. This year we will not see Year 4 children on the stage until Easter time. Year 6 will continue with their usual end of year production.

VIP assemblies have also had a revamp! We will of course continue to celebrate the successes of all our Golden Ticket winners. The tickets are awarded to the children who really have shone and made a real difference with their learning. Keep a look out for your invitation in the post!

We are also in the early stages of applying for planning permission to extend our break out areas within school. Lower hub children currently do not have a 'shared space' as years 5 & 6 do. Fingers crossed this project will go ahead as planned and cause minimal disruption to normal school day routines. The building works are planned to take place in 2019 around the year 3 area.

I look forward to meeting you at the next parents' evening in November. This is a great opportunity to share your child's learning journey so far this year. I really enjoy watching children share their books with you and explaining what they have been taught.

We said goodbye to Mrs Harding last term. She has been a superb lunchtime supervisor for over 3 years. We wish her lots of luck in her new job. Mrs Gillespie has also left us for the time being as she has begun her maternity leave. We look forward to meeting baby Gillespie in the new year.

Please can I remind you that any classroom issues should be discussed with class teachers in the first instance. It is often the case that the admin team do not know about issues which have arisen but they are always happy to book you an appointment with the teacher. If you are not satisfied with the teachers response, please book an appointment to see Miss Bateman for years 3&4 or Mrs Gibbs for years 5&6. Both Assistant Headteachers keep me fully informed of all parent discussions. Appointments with the head will not be allocated unless you have followed the correct procedures as outlined. Any safeguarding issues can be discussed with Miss Kaur, Mrs Gibbs or Mrs Izycky.

A huge thank you to the South End Superstars. They have recently donated £2500 of fundraising money to the school. We have purchased ten benches and two new picnic tables for the playground. Seating for the children was fairly limited so I am sure they will all be pleased with their new colourful benches.

Thank you for continued support.  
See you at the gate! Wrap up warm!

Miss G Kaur  
Headteacher