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# Head's Update

Keeping you informed: Miss Kaur—Headteacher

Thursday 2nd September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back after the summer break. We hope your summer was full of fun staycations and catching up with family and friends.

This morning we welcomed all our children and staff back. The playground was full of excitement, new shoes and laughter! We also welcomed our new Year 3 children and their families by holding three separate tie ceremonies. These children are now officially 'South Enders' and their lime green ties are being worn with pride!

We very much anticipate getting back to 'normal' this year and placing the well-being of both children and staff as a priority. Once children are settled in, we can begin to build on their learning.

This morning, we also launched our new value of 'Respect'. We discussed respecting one another and respecting our environment. I look forward to seeing how many value stones will be collected this half term, and announcing our Respect ambassadors at the end of the term.

We very much hope we can get through the school year without any disruption. We have updated our Covid-19 risk assessment and followed government guidelines. Children will continue to wash/gel hands frequently during the school day. Although requirements for self-isolation are much reduced for children and those double-vaccinated, we still need to be vigilant. Please keep your child at home if they have any of the following symptoms:

a new, persistent cough      a raised temperature      a change in sense of taste or smell

In this instance, children should have a PCR test and we would ask that you keep the children at home until the result is received. Assuming the result is negative, they can come straight back into school, at any time during the school day. Remote learning tasks will only be set for children who are self-isolating due to a positive PCR test.

Hot meals will return to normal and all required meals will need to be pre-ordered through Kingswood.

Our school day has reverted back to our original timings of 8:40am to 3pm. Please ensure your child arrives on time as gates are locked promptly after the school day begins.

Please seek out our curriculum newsletters and knowledge organisers that were sent to via Parentmail this week. They inform you about what your child will be learning throughout their first project. Our first curriculum projects are as follows:

Y3 Mighty metals

Y4 Potions

Y5 Stargazers

Y6 Blood heart

We look forward to working in a continued partnership with you all over throughout the school year.

Kind regards

G Kaur

Headteacher.