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Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome Back

Welcome to the new academic year! I hope that you are all well and that you have managed to enjoy spending some family time together over the summer break. Having had two days in school, it's great to see the children settling in and getting used to learning and playing together once more. A big welcome to our lovely new Reception cohort who have made an excellent start at 'big school'! In all four classes, the children look very smart in their uniforms; they are eager to learn and excited to catch up with their friends.

Dropping Off and Picking Up

You may drop your child off in the morning from **8.40 am** and we expect all children to be in their classrooms for morning registration no later than **8.55 am**. Gates will close at this time, so please ensure that your child is dropped off within the allotted 15 minute period. I will be out on the playground in the mornings to advise you if you are unsure where to go.

There is no longer a staggered end to the school day and all pupils will be ready for collection at **3.15 pm**. In order to reduce congestion around the classroom doors, we have designated areas for pick up. Please see below for further details:

Class	Year Group	Class Teacher/s	Support Staff	Drop Off	Pick Up
1	Reception	Mrs Power	Mrs Harris	Class 1 door	Class 1 door
2	Year 1/2	Mrs Draper	Mrs Gibson	Class 2 door	Front door
3	Year 3/4	Mrs Bennett	Mrs White	Class 3 door	Playground
4	Year 5/6	Mrs Eley (Mon-Thu) Mrs Griffin-Jones (Fri)	Mrs Jackson	Class 4 door	Playground

PE Wednesdays

All classes will have their first PE lessons on Wednesday next week when Mr Cann will return to Halebank. The children should come into school in PE kits for the whole day each Wednesday. This should consist of **navy blue** shorts and a **royal blue** crew neck T shirt.

School Dinner Menu

You should now have received a paper copy of the new Autumn/Winter dinner menu from Halton School Meals. A PDF is being emailed to you with this week's newsletter and this is also available on our website. It would be useful to save a copy of the PDF onto your device so you have a copy of the menu for the term.

Mr Boon

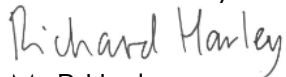
This week, we have welcomed our new caretaker to the Halebank Team. Mr Keith Boon joined us on Wednesday and he has already worked very hard over the summer with Mr Washington to ensure that he is fully prepared for his new role. I am sure that you will make Mr Boon feel very welcome when you see him out and about in the school grounds.

Ms Farrell and MDA Vacancy

Unfortunately, Ms Gemma Farrell is no longer able to continue as a Midday Assistant, having worked at our school for the last four years. Ms Farrell will be missed very much at Halebank; she has a wonderful rapport with the children and they have thoroughly enjoyed working with her. We will shortly be putting out an advert to recruit a new MDA and if you think you might be interested in applying, please let me know and I can talk to you about what the role entails and the application process. Thank you.

Next week, our newsletter will include the first Stars of the Week of the new academic year and more information about the forthcoming events and diary dates for the autumn term. In the meantime, I hope you all have a lovely weekend and that your child gets lots of rest ready for the first full week of school!

Yours sincerely



Mr R Harley

Headteacher