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Dear Parents

Welcome back to the new school year. I hope you have had a restful and enjoyable summer. It has been lovely to see the children back in school.

It has been very busy in school over the holidays. The hall floor has been replaced. It looks beautiful and shiny! The Nest has a new surface in their outdoor area which will be much more suitable in the wet weather. In the boiler house, asbestos was removed as a precaution. It has been a huge task to manage all the different contractors on site, and the site team had to work round the disruption to get the school ready for the new term. They have done a fantastic job and we are very grateful.

We are looking forward to celebrating the start of term with Fr Sean who will be saying Mass on Friday 12th September at 9am in the school hall. You are all warmly invited to join us.

There will be welcome meetings on the following days:

Monday 15th September – Yrs 5 and 6 at 3:40pm
Tuesday 16th September - Yrs 1 and 2 at 3:30pm
Wednesday 17th September - Yrs 3 and 4 at 3:40pm
Thursday – 18th September - Early Years at 2:30pm

This is a great opportunity to meet the class teachers and find out a bit more about the routines and curriculum in your child's class. Please send any general questions you have into the school office and staff will make sure these are answered as part of the meeting.

Harvest Festival is on Friday 3rd October. We will have a collection of tinned and dried food which we will send to the food bank. More details to follow nearer the time.

Please find below the days which your son / daughter will be having their PE lessons starting w/c 08.09.25.

Early Years – Wednesday	Year 3 – Tuesday and Wednesday
Year 1 – Tuesday	Year 4 – Tuesday and Friday
Year 2 – Friday	Year 5 – Wednesday and Thursday
	Year 6 – Monday and Friday

"We learn together in God's love by encouraging and supporting one another."



The children will need to come to school dressed in their **school PE kit** as well as wearing a **navy or black hoodie and navy or black tracksuit trousers** on their PE days. Your son / daughter will need to be able to independently take out their earrings for PE lessons, if they are unable to do this, please could you ensure earrings are not worn on PE days.

The children in Early Years, Year 1 and Year 2 will have Forest School sessions each week. These will take place on the following days:

Early Years on Thursday, Year 1 on Wednesday and Year 2 on Tuesday.

We would also welcome volunteers who can help in school. This could be listening to children read, helping the children tend to the school garden, supporting at Forest School or with other school activities. Let the office know if you can help and we will be in touch.

Mrs Mulligan, Mrs Copeman and I will be in the playground at pick up and drop off so you can have a chat whenever needed. You can also contact the office to make arrangements to meet with one of us if it is something more significant that requires additional time.

Yours sincerely

Maria Kemble
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