

Park Spring Primary School

"Achieving Together"

Dear Parents/ Carers

Welcome back to school! Another exciting and inspiring school year lies ahead. I wish an extra special welcome to the new reception children and any arrivals throughout the school. We are sure they will be happy at Park Spring Primary and will quickly feel part of our school family.

During the Summer:

We hope you enjoyed the holiday with family and friends and were able to find some sun between the showers.

Over the holiday, Leeds City Council completed work to provide for the additional children that we now have in school. This consisted of moving the ICT suite to the hall and the refurbishment of the ICT classroom to accommodate our present Year 5 class. As part of the relocation of the ICT suite we have upgraded our ICT hardware by purchasing 20 new computers, They are now installed and it means that the ICT suite will be open as normal from Monday from 8,15am in the morning for e-learning club.

You may have also noticed that we have installed an electric pedestrian gate by the office. There is some electrical work still outstanding but hopefully this will be completed very shortly. This will mean that parents collecting children from nursery during the school day will need to press the buzzer so that the office can give you access through this gate.

Establishing routines

The start of the school year enables us to set the tone for learning and behaviour in the school. It is an important time for teachers and children to establish classroom routines and to set expectations for behaviour and working well together, Please help us by ensuring that children are in school on time, wearing the correct school uniform and prepared to learn. We know it takes a day or two to get used to going to bed on time and settling back in and this is key to helping children do their best.

Updating Information-alert in advance

At this time of year, we need to update the information we hold in school about your child. We try to keep the number of requests to a minimum however it's important for the safety of the children that we have up to date and accurate information. I thank you for your timely response to any such requests, which will come to you in the coming weeks.

Welcome Meetings

On Thursday 24^{th} September from 3.30-5.30pm and then again from 6.00-7.00pm teachers will be holding welcome meetings for their classes. This is an opportunity for parents/carers to find out about routines, events and expectations for your child's new class. We are holding two sessions so that parents/carers who have children in more than one class are able to attend more than one meeting. We also hope that this will accommodate those parents who have other commitments earlier in the day. We look forward to seeing you. A creche will be available for those who need it.

Autumn Term

Alongside this letter we have provided you with the diary dates for this term; which include key whole school events. This will be regularly updated on the weekly newsletter that we send out every Wednesday. The aim of the newsletter is to celebrate the children's weekly achievements in school and to give you advance notice and information about forthcoming events. A copy of the newsletter can also be found on the school's website.

Many thanks for you continued support in ensuring that as a school community we support our children in achieving together; to ensure that they are happy, confident children who always try their best and have respect for one another.

Yours, sincerely

Rachel Horan Headteacher