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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been really great to be able to welcome so many parents back in to school recently for the 'Meet The Parents' presentations. Always a lovely opportunity to have a look in your child's class, meet the teaching team and get a good feel of what a typical day/ week feels like for your child.

We appreciate that childcare is a challenge, so are grateful to you for arranging this during these meetings, so that everyone can listen and ask questions.

Over the next couple of weeks, we will make sure that the powerpoint presentations following these meetings are available in the class pages on our website. Currently you can already see the termly Homework menus and Topic plans for your child's class, which we hope is useful when supporting your child at home with their learning.

Since the beginning of term, the children are increasingly settling in to the routines and understanding expectations and available support in their new year groups. This 'settling in' time is crucial for all pupils so that they feel confident and secure with their learning and understand how to ask for help as they develop their own resilience and self advocacy.

Practice is under way for the upcoming Harvest Assemblies, which will take place in the Sawston Free Church this year. It is a delight to hear some of the old favourite Harvest songs being enjoyed so much by the children in singing assemblies.

Any suitable donations for the John Huntingdon Charity Foodbank will be gratefully received. As per the previous communication, please do bring these donations in to school on Friday 30th September in preparation for transfer to the church the following Tuesday.

We were delighted to have such a wonderful response to the plea for good quality second hand uniform recently. We do hope that this opportunity to stock up the uniform in an affordable way was helpful, as well as being fantastic for the environment too—remember reduce, reuse, recycle!

Thanks to the donations of money for this too which raised £95. this money will also go to JHC to help bolster the supplies in the food bank.

Thank you for your patience, whilst ongoing roof repairs continue to affect drop off and pick ups, especially in keystone 1. We are hopeful that work on this side of the building is nearing completion for now, which will mean that the children in year's 1 and 2 will have access to their outdoor learning areas once more.

We have had a number of parents recently offering to run small after school clubs recently, which we are very excited about. We are always keen to develop our extra curricular opportunities, especially with the increased lifting of restrictions following the pandemic. If you believe that you have capacity to run a 30 mins weekly club eg board games, knitting etc, please do come and have a chat with us. We'd love to hear from you.

We have already had complaints this term from our neighbours in Churchfield Road about inconsiderate parking by our parents, resulting in people being blocked in. If you regularly use this road to park in the mornings or after school, please do consider alternatives where possible eg Coop carpark, walking/ biking. Thanks for your support.

Mrs Kendall & Mrs Pentney | Headteachers



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Autumn term dates	Events
13th September	Meet the teacher Year 4: 3.30—4.15pm Year 1: 4.00—4.45pm
14th September	Meet the teacher Year 2: 2.30 – 4.15pm Year 6: 4.00 – 4.45pm
15th September	Meet the teacher Year 3: 3.30 – 4.15pm Year 5: 4.00 – 4.45pm
4th October	Harvest Services at Sawston Free Church 9:30—YR & Y6 10:30—Y1,2 & Doves 1:30—Y4,5 & Swallows
6th October	Sawston Village College open evening (time tbc)
11th October	Flu vaccinations: round 1 (information will follow)
18th October	Year 5 Sharing Assembly: 9.10 – 10.00am
31st October and 1st November	Urban strides dance workshops (details to follow)
1st November	Parents consultation on zoom 3.50 – 7.00pm
2nd November	Presentation and tour for New Reception parents September 2023: 9.15am
3rd November	Parents consultation oat The Bellbird 8.00 – 11.00am
28th November	Flu vaccinations: round 2 (information will follow)
7th December	Presentation and tour for New Reception parents September 2023: 9.15am
13th December	Reception sharing assembly: Nativity (time tbc)
14th December	Carol service at St Mary's church 9:30—YR & Y6 10:30—Y1,2 & Doves 1:30—Y4,5 & Swallows
15th December	Reception sharing assembly: Nativity (time tbc)
19th December	Carols Around the Tree KS1 and parents: 9.30 – 10.00am
20th December	School Christmas Lunch
21st December	Carols Around the Tree KS2 and parents: 9.30 – 10.00am
Spring term dates	Events
Week beginning 23rd January	Year 4 bikeability (details to follow)
9th February	Year 4 sharing assembly: 9.10 – 10.00am
15th March	Mothers Day event in school am (details to follow)
21st March	Year 3 sharing assembly: 9.10 – 10.00am
24th March	Reports out to parents
28th March	Parent consultations 8.00 – 11.00
30 th March	Parent consultations 3:30 – 7.00



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Summer term dates	Events
Week beginning 8th May	Year 6 SATS week
25th May	Year 1 sharing assembly: 9.10 – 10.00am
9th June	Sports day times tbc
28th June	Year 6 pupils Induction day at Sawston Village College: all day
29th June	Year 6 Induction evening at Sawston Village College: pupils and parents 4 – 7.30pm
11th July	Year 2 sharing assembly: 9.10 – 10.00am