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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that your child has had a really positive first day/first day back - it was such a pleasure to see them all this morning.

Well done and welcome to our new starters across the school and especially those in our pre-school and reception classes - we could not believe how settled they all were.

The school has been a hive of hard work and enthusiasm today and the teachers and children have enjoyed getting to know one another. We were delighted to hold our first face to face assembly for 18 months this morning - it was wonderful to return to this.

Please can you check your children's bags for a collection arrangements form (Years 1-6). We would be grateful if EVERYONE could complete this (even if your details remain the same) so that we can update our folders. ONLY year 5 and 6 children may leave the classroom on their own and this must be clearly indicated on the form. If you give your child permission to leave the classroom on their own - you assume responsibility for them as soon as they leave the classroom so please be clear about where they should meet you or the route that they should take on their way home.

Only Year 6 children are permitted to bring mobile phones to school, there will be an acceptable use agreement form coming home which should be completed and returned to class teachers. Please remind children that phones should stay in their bags (especially when they are crossing roads!) and should be turned off and handed in to class teachers at the start of every day.

We have noticed a number of children wearing SMART watches, we know that children often enjoy wearing these and fitbits so they can monitor their activity etc and we think that this is great! That said, please be mindful of the fact that things get easily lost and broken in school - these are expensive items to replace and we would not want children to be upset if their watch or fitbit was damaged. If year 6 children are bringing the phones that their watches are synced to, into school, the phones MUST be turned off. We are also aware that some children are wearing Vtech watches - these, and any other watch that can take photos or videos are not allowed in school. Please make sure that your child does not bring any watch of this nature into school. In order to safeguard all of the children, these watches will be confiscated if they are brought into school and will be returned to a responsible adult at the end of the day.

By law we must have at least two emergency contacts for your child on file. Please log in to Arbor to ensure that:

• We have at least two emergency contact names and numbers













- Email addresses are accurate
- Your home address is correct

If there have been any changes to your personal circumstances that you feel we need to be made aware of, please do get in touch. Similarly if your child's medical, health or dietary needs have changed then please do let us know.

We are so looking forward to the year ahead, please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours sincerely,

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