

# September Issue 2017 ISSUE 37

# **Diary dates**

22nd World Car Free Day

28th September—book fair

29th September—Macmillan Coffee Morning



# As-salamu alaykum (peace be with you)

#### **Dear Parents and Carers,**

The new school year is now underway with the children getting used to their new teachers and ready to do their very best in their learning.

#### **Updates**

# **Breakfast Clubs**

Thank you to those parents who have been patient with our new breakfast club arrangements. As the school is growing ever larger with 540 children, we have now put in place a criteria for breakfast club:

- 1. Pupil premium and deprived children will always be our first priority children to receive a filling breakfast at school. This is the primary reason why breakfast clubs are available.
- 2. Siblings for each site—to allow parents easy access to each building
- 3. Working parents

If your child has a place at the breakfast club and does not regularly attend, their place will be given to the next child on the waiting list. If you want a place for your child, they will be placed on the waiting list until one becomes available.

#### **Swimming**

We are in the process of arranging swimming for all of our Key Stage 2 children, Years 3 to 5 for the coming year. At present we are waiting for Britannia Leisure Centre to agree the contact, then we will start with Year 5 swimming during the autumn term.

Year 4 will start swimming in the Spring Term and Year 3 will swim in the summer term.

Year 5 parents will receive a letter detailing the timings and procedures as soon as the contracts have been agreed.

# **Coaches**

We are extremely thankful that the government has once again agreed to fund the coaches for the Olive School this year. Although **their** decision was later this year than last, we have been fortunate to have the coaches transport children from Reception to Year 2 to the UTC site.

We are looking into ways to make the transportation of your children as quick and easy as possible and will be reviewing how this is completed on a daily basis. We are looking into potential ways of transporting siblings to the UTC and ask that you are patient whilst the finer details have been organised.

If there are any changes to your timings or coach pick ups we will inform you by letter and text.

# **Enrichments**

These will be starting on the first week of October. All children will have the opportunity to take part in enrichments. The teachers are finalising their club choices and Ms Mainwaring will be writing to you shortly about those that are available.

# **Useful Contacts:**

Ms Mainwaring—breakfast club, enrichments, attendance and behaviour Ms Bashir—teaching and learning Key Stage 2
Ms Mukadam—Faith, Character, Ethos

# **Boosters and Enrichment Clubs**

Booster and enrichment clubs will take place from Mondays to Thursdays starting from **2nd October at both the UTC and Cazenove Road.** We will be sending out more information about how your child can choose their enrichment for the Autumn Term at a later date.

#### **Breakfast Club**

Breakfast Club is available to children from Reception to Year 5 at both Cazenove Road and the UTC. Due to the growing demand for this service we have now set criteria in place in order to keep the numbers within a reasonable health and safety standard.

We will be writing to you by the end of this week if your child has received a place or is on a waiting list as the breakfast club will start on **Monday 11th September.** 

Breakfast Club starts at 7.30am, with breakfast served from 7.40am. If your child is taking the coach from Caznove Road to the UTC, we will no longer be accepting them in breakfast club due to the lack of time between the start of breakfast club and the walk to the common.

#### **School Uniform**

Please ensure that your child is appropriately dressed for school, including the correct PE kit. Please refer to our Uniform Policy in the Parents Handbook and our website for the correct items for school uniform. All items should be clearly labelled. We will be contacting you personally if your child is not wearing the correct uniform. Trainers and boots are not allowed in school.

#### **Meet and Greet Meetings**

We will be holding Meet and Greet meetings this half term. These meetings provide an opportunity for you to be introduced to the team working with your child. The teams will provide you with information about the curriculum and expectations.

There will be two meetings each day to allow for any travel between the sites.

Monday 11th September Year 1 and 2 UTC Hall 3-3.30pm and 3.45-4.15pm

Tuesday 12th September Year 3 Cazenove Road Hall 3-3.30pm and 3.45-4.15pm

Wednesday 13th September Year 4 Cazenove Road Hall 3-3.30pm and 3.45-4.15pm

Thursday 14th September Year 5 Cazenove Road Hall 3-3.30pm and 3.45-4.15pm

#### **Coach Escort Payment**

If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or 2 and you would like your child to travel by coach to the UTC site, please be advised that the cost for this will be £12 per week. You will receive a personal letter with the information as the first payment will be due at the end of September.

If your child is pupil premium, the cost will be £6 per week, payable at the end of September.