

16<sup>th</sup> September 2016

It is difficult to believe we have only been back at school for two weeks, your children and all the staff have been so busy and working so incredibly hard, I think everyone is ready for another break! A huge thank you to all the parents and carers for your efforts with the uniform. I cannot believe the improvement and we are looking very smart.

## Read, Write, Inc. (We will call it RWI in future)

This week has seen the first full week of our brilliant new phonics and reading programme. Ms Price, RWI manager, has been offering intensive support to all teachers and teaching assistants in getting the programme up and running. Every child is accessing reading/phonics skills and teaching at the right and appropriate levels every day. Please do follow this up



at home by ensuring your children are completing their reading every day and that you fill in the reading record sheet. We are concentrating on saying the sounds, sounding out words and reading 'alien' words with the sounds in at the moment. Ask your children to show you a marshmallow clap and a round of claws!

## School Day and attendance

Thank you to all our children, parents and teachers for supporting the school in the change of the morning routine, i.e. all children lining up in their classes on the playground. Just a reminder, the bell will go at 8:30am (or shortly after) and then all the children will line up on the courtyard. Children should be in school by 8:30am to ensure they are not recorded as late or absent which will affect their learning and their attendance figures. A further reminder that at the end of each half term you will receive a report on the attendance and lateness of your child/ren as well as children with 100% attendance receiving acknowledgement of their efforts.

## Home-School Agreement

Please make sure you **sign the Home-School Agreement for 2016-2017** and return it to the office as soon as possible. This is a requirement of all parents, you may receive a reminder from the office.

## Friends Of William Morris – Halloween Disco



### HELP IS NEEDED URGENTLY

A big part of being in the William Morris community is being able to help the school raise money for extra resources for the children. We desperately need support from parents who are creative, able to help out and keen to support their child's experience in any way they can. We have a goal of raising approximately £10 000 towards new playground equipment. This will benefit all your children and so we would ask for your support throughout the year. Ms Wilson is the chairperson of the group and we would welcome your input at the first FOWM

meeting this year. Come and join us for a cup of **tea and some cake on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September in Red Wood Class (Mrs Martin in Year 6) at 3:15pm**. If you have children with you who attend William Morris, we will offer **free child care** for them over in the Oak Class (Foundation Stage) where Mrs Murray will supervise. Thank you Mrs Murray for your kind offer. We would like our first event of the year to be a Halloween Disco. Unfortunately, if we do not have enough support from parents in our meeting/s, then events such as this will not be able to go ahead.

### Tag Rugby Club for Year 5 and Year 6

We have a last minute addition to the club list this term. A tag rugby club will be run by our very own sports coach, Mr Pemble. The club is only open to year 5 and year 6 this term as they will be competing in a tag rugby tournament with local schools. We would like as many year 5 and year 6 children to attend as possible, no limit on numbers. The club will be on a Friday and will finish at 4:15pm. Please complete the reply slip below if your child wishes to attend.

### Notices

A reminder that Book bags can be bought from the school office for £2.50.

PE Kits should be brought to school in a separate bag every Monday morning and kept in school until Friday.

### Dates for Next Week:

<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Life Education Bus at William Morris</b>
<b>Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September</b>	<b>FOWM Meeting at 3.15pm in Year 6 Classroom</b>
<b>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September</b>	<b>Swimming for Y3/4</b>
<b>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September</b>	<b>Brass Lessons for Y4/5</b>

Have a great weekend everyone!



*Julie Hiddleston and the school team*

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I \_\_\_\_\_, parent of \_\_\_\_\_ would like my child in

Oak/Wattle/Willow/Elm/Cherry/Red Wood Class to attend Tag Rugby club for Term 1.

My emergency contact number is \_\_\_\_\_