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## **NEWSLETTER 1 - Autum 2017**

Dear Parents

### **Welcome Back!**

I can usually tell when it is time to return from the summer holidays – the weather usually improves. Not the case so far this year, but fingers crossed for an ‘Indian summer’. In the meantime, this blustery weather doesn’t seem to dampen the spirits of the children. They are keen and eager to be at school, as are we!

### **Uniform**

We have quite an astonishing collection of lost property. The reason we have it is because the major reason it is ‘lost’ is because it is not labelled. I would like to politely remind you that it is parents’ responsibility to ensure that clothes are labelled. Personalised labels are available online, although a marker pen is just as effective, but may need checking once in a while.

### **PE Kit**

We are aiming for your child to have PE twice a week. This means that your child will need their kit in school every day, as the days that they have PE may change. This has always been the policy. It is extremely frustrating and sometimes upsetting for a child if they do not have their PE kit in school. Again, this must be labelled.

As we increase the focus on PE, I would like to re-introduce a PE kit for the children. This is designed to be cheap and easy to put together:

- White top
- Black/navy shorts
- Jogging bottoms
- Sweatshirt
- Indoor daps/plimsolls
- Outdoor trainers

It would wonderful if over the coming weeks your child could have the kit in school, possibly in a drawstring bag. It would ensure that as much physical education is enjoyed as possible.

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**Medical Conditions**

It is obviously very important that we have up to date medical details for your child; especially any allergies or need for inhalers. Please ensure that we do by speaking to Lisa or your child's class teacher.

**Clubs**

We are in a fortunate position to offer lots of extra-curricular clubs this term. Having staff and volunteers give up their time for our children is a wonderful asset. However, I would like to stress that if your child signs up for a club, then they will need to attend for the duration of weeks that term. If pupils drop out, then the club does not become viable. We really wish to avoid disappointment by having to cancel clubs. A separate letter was sent out on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September regarding the clubs that are on offer.

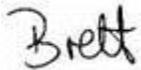
**Diary dates**

Accompanying this letter will be a list of notable dates for this term. We don't often change dates, but if we do so it is because something out of our control has affected them.

**Website**

You may have noticed our revamped website. As much information as we can is placed there, including these newsletters and other letters home. Please refer to the site as much as possible, yet please also tell us when you spot an error on there, especially during the next few weeks.

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brett". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Head Teacher