

1st October 2021

## October 2021 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Here we are, already in Week 4 of our autumn term! The children are enjoying their new classes and have settled well into the new routines of the school year. The children look extremely smart in their school uniforms and have begun the term well.

### Parents' Evening

This will take place on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October from 3:30pm – 6pm. We will be offering a telephone call for parents on the Wednesday or a short face to face meeting in school on Thursday. You are able to choose which option you would prefer. The meeting is an opportunity to discuss how your child has settled in to their new year group and meet their teacher. Children's books will not be available to look at during this time due to COVID control measures. Further information regarding booking appointments will be sent out next week.

### Late Children

Unfortunately, we are seeing an increasing number of children who are late. In order to manage this in a safe way, any child who misses the school gate will need to wait outside the reception doors with an accompanying adult. At 9:10am the children will then be escorted into school by Mrs Scholes or Mr Thorpe. Any child arriving after 9:10am will need to wait outside until they are escorted into school at 9:20am by school staff. This is to minimise disruption to the classes where the children's learning will have started promptly at 9am.

### Considerate Parking

Due to the ongoing building works facing school, please be mindful when driving and parking outside school in order to keep our children and families safe, the yellow markings should be kept clear at all times and where possible please walk to school.

### Harvest

We will be asking for donations of food for our harvest festival. All donations will be passed onto Salford Foodbank. Could you please bring food items into school on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> October. Salford Foodbank will be grateful for all food donations, but have particularly asked for donations of the following items:

Tinned fruit  
UHT Milk  
Long-life fruit juice

Tinned meat  
Teabags  
Pasta

Tinned Vegetables  
Instant Coffee  
Jam

Thank you for your kind support with this. School assemblies will focus on Harvest Festival during this week.



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### Own Clothes Day

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – last day of term, children are welcome to wear their own clothes or a Halloween costume of their choice.

### Unwell Children

We understand that many children are falling ill with coughs, colds, sickness and diarrhoea. For any new coughs and fevers, it is recommended that children over five are taken for a PCR test. For gastric bugs children must stay at home for 48 hours from the last time they were sick.

Please keep us informed of any absence via the school number 921 2850.

### Parent Pay

Please ensure that accounts are in credit for school lunch and after school clubs. Please contact the school office if you need assistance with your account.

### Admissions

Applications are now open for Nursery, Reception and High School for September 2022. Apply online at [www.salford.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools-admissions/](http://www.salford.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools-admissions/)

### Free School Meals

If you believe your child may qualify for entitlement of Free School Meals please contact the Salford City Council Free School Meal helpline on 0161 793 2500 or visit <https://www.salford.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/free-school-meals/>

Thank you for your continued support.

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