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Dear Parents and Carers

I do hope that you all had a good summer holiday. It is lovely to see such happy pupils returning to school. All pupils are settling in well including our new starters to whom, along with their families, I extend a very warm welcome.

We have a 'Keeping Fitzwaryn School Community Strong' Facebook page for parents and staff of the school. This is extremely popular so if you are new to the school and access Facebook, then please join in. The administration for the page lies within the school so that we can monitor the content closely.

You will be receiving a letter from your child's class teacher very soon outlining the details that you need to know, along with a curriculum map and a timetable for the class. In time, you will find the documents on the website for ease of use.

We welcome several new staff members to the school; Miss Fern Larson joined us in July and will now take up the role of class teacher in Beech Class and Mrs Jennie Breen joins us as class teacher in Chestnut Class. We have a number of Teaching Assistants starting with us too and I am delighted to say that we are running an Apprenticeship TA course for the very first time.

I am delighted to say that Mrs Taylor gave birth to a baby boy, Rory, in the holidays and Mum, baby and the family are doing well.

FitzKids

From all accounts the pupils and staff who attended the holiday club activities during the summer had a fabulous time! Activities included a visit to the cinema with lunch and a day on the inflatables! Thank you to Clair Taylor and her team for running such a successful programme of events.















Home School Link Worker

Ossa Buckle, our Home School Link Worker will be leaving us on 18th September to take up a post at Abingdon and Witney College; Ossa has done some fabulous work since she started with us and we will be sad to see her leave. We are interviewing for a new person to take up the post in the near future and I will let you know the outcome of that once it is known.

Speech and Language Therapy

We have been informed that a new Speech and Language Therapist will be assigned to Fitzwaryn following Lesley Bucke's retirement. Once I have more details, I will let you know.

Named belongings

Please can we ask that all clothing and belongings are clearly named so that if things get lost, we can match them up with their owners quickly.

Friends of Fitzwaryn

Friends of Fitzwaryn is a very friendly group of parents and staff who are committed to raising funds for the school to use. In the past, money has been raised for school trips, minibuses, outdoor equipment and library books. All the funds raised this year will be going towards an upgrade of the Sensory Theatre.

The Friends of Fitzwaryn committee is meeting on **28**th **September at 9.30am** in the school. **Everyone is welcome!**

Coffee Mornings

The Student Centre is going to be hosting its very popular Friday coffee mornings for parents and carers. The students are expert bakers and hosts; I can honestly say that their cakes and coffee are truly delicious! The coffee mornings are 10am - 11.30am. Please share the information with anyone who would like to attend and I hope to see you there:

- September 29th
- October 20th
- November 24th
- December 15th
- January 26th
- February 23rd
- March 22nd
- May 24th
- June 28th

Medication in School

Please refer to the website for details of the procedures and permissions if medication is required in school:

https://www.fitzwaryn.oxon.sch.uk/page/?title=Nursing&pid=35

Nut-Free School

Please be mindful that due to allergies, we are a nut-free school so please do not include nuts in any food that is sent into school.

Term dates and INSET days

Please find the term dates on the website:

https://www.fitzwaryn.oxon.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=1648&type=pdf

Parent Teacher Meetings

The dates for this year's Parent Teacher Meetings are:

Wednesday 8th November

Wednesday 6th March

Wednesday 12th June

Details of timings and how to book an appointment will be available nearer the time.

EHCP Annual Reviews

You should have all received the date for your child's Annual Review. As a number of these meetings are scheduled each week, we ask if you have any requests to change the date for any reason that you do so with plenty of notice and to put the request in writing to the school office.

Contacting the school

All contact with the school must be made via the school office address: office.7027@fitzwaryn.oxon.sch.uk

Messages will be passed to teachers who will respond during working hours.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if there is anything you wish to discuss about your child at Fitzwaryn.

Best wishes

Stephanie Coneboy Headteacher