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Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2017

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the start of the Autumn Term and a new academic year. I hope you all had a wonderful summer break. It was lovely to see the pupils returning to school this week, and settling into classes with their friends.

I would also like to extend a warm welcome to our new pupils and families who have joined us this term. If you have any questions or queries about your child's education, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

**Further news:**

**Parents Evening** - We look forward to welcoming you into school on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September, where you will be able to meet the teacher as well as other families and professionals at our School Gates Café. Letters will be sent home shortly with further details.

**Permissions** - Personal data and permission details that we hold on file for you and your child will be shared with you in the next couple of weeks. Please check the information sheets carefully and return the forms back to school asap.

**Newsletters** - To reduce paper consumption, we automatically send newsletters via email unless you have specifically requested a hard copy. Once you receive the personal data sheet, please check it carefully - have we got your correct email address? You may be missing out on important information otherwise. You can also download copies of newsletters from the website.

**School Comms** - Just a reminder you can download the app to start using School Comms. Lots of our families access information from the school this way, and it is really easy to use. You can also make payments online! If you would like

**Dates  
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- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> Sept - Tempest Photography
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Sept - PTFA Meeting
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Sept - Parents Evening
- Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> Oct - Bags 2 School Collection
- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct - Half Term Week



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further info, please contact the School Office who will be very happy to help you.

**Snacks** - From the start of this next academic year, we have made changes to the mid-morning snack break. Please send your child into school each day with a piece of fruit to be eaten mid-morning. If your child does not eat fruit, you may provide an alternative, small, healthy snack as a replacement (no crisps, sweets or chocolate bars please). Any snack which is deemed to be unhealthy will not be given to your child. School will continue to provide either water or milk for pupils to drink. I hope you will support us in this new initiative. Thank you.

Cookery will still continue as a learning activity for our pupils, and families will still be asked to contribute towards the cost of ingredients. The cost for cookery will be £7.50 per half term.

### **Message from Physio department -**

The next EMC wheelchair clinic is due to be held at the school on Monday 25th September, if you would like your child to be seen at the clinic please contact Raegan.

The next Orthotic clinics are; 14th and 28th September, please contact Selina,

If your child uses a sling, please could you check that the tag on it is still in date, if the date on the tag has expired we will be unable to use the sling at school as it hasn't had an up to date safety check, please contact Millbrook on 03301244491, they will come out to your home or to school to safety check your child's sling.

### **Message from Devon County Council -**

If you are a parent who has been unable to find suitable childcare, please let Devon County Council know by completing this form so they can support you to find childcare and it can help them plan:

<https://new.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/early-years-and-childcare/devon-family-information-directory/childcare-brokerage/unable-to-find-suitable-childcare>



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**Message from Carrie -**

Autumn Term school meals charges

Please find below the cost of school meals for the Autumn Term 2017. You are able to pay either by cash or cheque or online.

	Junior	Senior
Daily	£2.40	£2.50
Weekly	£12.00	£12.50
1 <sup>st</sup> Half Term (32 Days)	£76.80	£80.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Half Term (34 Days)	£81.60	£85.00
<b>Full Term</b>	<b>£158.40</b>	<b>£165.00</b>

**FOR INFO:**

All school meals are payable **in advance**, please send your payment in with the orange payment card. Alternatively please pay online at [www.schoolgateway.com](http://www.schoolgateway.com)

Please make cheques payable to **Devon County Council**.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate in contacting me on 01803 864120

Enjoy the weekend.

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jacqui Warne".

Jacqui Warne  
Executive Head