



Dear Parents and Carers,

A reminder that I am at one of the entrance gates at the start and end of every day. It was great to meet a number of parents over a cup of tea this afternoon.

Reception and KS1 – books sent home each week

Children who are learning to read with the Read Write Inc phonics scheme will now go home with two books each week: a copy of the book read in class plus another colourful and attractive book that precisely matches the phonic learning that week. This is best practice, meaning that children can successfully read the books that they are sent home with. Those children who have completed phonics will be sent home with a levelled book that closely matches their reading skills and attainment.

Uniform

If you would like your child to wear a cardigan as part of their uniform, please make sure that it is the school cardigan.

To reconfirm, on days when your child has PE, please send them to school in their PE kit, making sure that they are warm enough – as necessary, they should wear the school colour jogging bottoms and sweatshirt or cardigan, in addition to their purple school polo shirt and shorts. Reception children will have PE on Wednesday, in addition to the freeflow of continuous provision which includes physical activities.

Breakfast Club

We urgently need an additional adult to support Breakfast Club every morning, starting as soon as possible until at least the end of this school year. This is a paid position for one hour each day, starting at 07:45. As a further incentive your child will be able to attend free of charge every morning. Please contact the office if you would like to apply. I have to remind you that if we are not able to recruit to this important post, then the Leopold Gwenneth Rickus Breakfast Club may soon have to close. Breakfast Club at the Hawkshead site would be available, but this is obviously not ideal.

Metropolitan Police Coffee Morning

Do come along at 09:00 on Wednesday 5th May when the Metropolitan Police Service will be hosting a coffee morning with the theme of 'Gender Equality'.

Farewell and thank you

We are sad to be saying goodbye to Ms Primus. She has worked tirelessly to support children and their families. We wish Ms Primus all the very best in her exciting new role.

Don't forget that school is closed on Thursday for polling. I hope you and your families have a great bank holiday weekend.

Best wishes,

John Ridley,

Head of School, Leopold Gwenneth Rickus