



Punnetts Town Community Primary School

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Be the Best You Can Be!

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Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back!

It is wonderful to end our first week back bathed in glorious sunshine. All the children have returned refreshed and excited and the classes have settled down exceptionally well.

The new class areas are working well and it really is lovely to see the early years pupils and year 1 and 2 pupils having so much room to explore and play in. The year 5 and 6s seem very grown up in their new 'learning pod' space and have made good use of their outside area which they are going to develop further.

Disappointingly some of the jobs that should have been completed by outside contractors over the summer holidays did not get done so the grass will be cut on Tuesday and the borders and trees cut back more thoroughly. This will then allow us to organise our outdoor areas more purposefully for the benefit of the children.

School Values

You will have noticed on headed note paper and around the school a list of our school values (shown at the bottom of this newsletter). We will be exploring these more thoroughly over the term beginning with love and care of ourselves and others. We feel the values will make a positive contribution to our behaviour policy and help pupils to understand why we have the rules we do and how it builds their character by developing good values that everyone shares.

Sports Events

A Year 5 and 6 cross country event will be taking place at Burwash on 18th of September.

Volunteering

We are always looking for support at school from parents and the community. This year we plan to hold a couple of events where anyone interested in volunteering can come and have all the relevant checks done (DBS, references etc) that are required these days and can express interest in the many ways they can help the school – look out for the dates coming soon.

PTA

As you will be aware, fund raising and fun events were organised in a different way last year by members of the PTA. All parents and staff are automatically members of the PTA when they join the school. A general meeting will be held soon to appoint the chair, vice chair and so on of the PTA and to explore ideas for all important fund raising and fun events over the coming year – look out for that date too, coming soon.

Attendance

There will be a more detailed letter coming out about our approach to absences in the near future. However, I would like to draw your attention to last year's attendance figure which was only 95%. When we took out the percentage of absences through holidays taken in term time it was 98%. Please support the school by making sure that your child is here all day, every day of the school term as good attendance is linked to good attainment.

Dates for your diary, inset days and term dates will be available on our school website under the parent tab and will be updated on a regular basis.

Have a wonderful week end,
from all the staff

Love and Care	Respect	Friendship
Resilience	Enjoyment	Curiosity