



# Autumn 2017



*Welcome back everyone and a special welcome to the new children and families joining us in Year R and to those children new to years 1 and 2. I have been so impressed with the way the children have settled back into school - and I've really enjoyed hearing about what they have been up to in the holidays. There is a lovely happy atmosphere around school and everyone seems very keen to get down to work! Long may it continue!*

*You will see from the attached dates that there is a lot going on this term and we will also be sending home dates for parent workshops later in the term.*

*Jacky Halton*

## THANK YOU CHIPS!

What an amazing year of fundraising we had last year! Thanks to CHIPS we now have 12 brand new lap tops in school which are already being well used by the children. Our CHIPS team are always looking for new members so if you would like to be involved in our fundraising efforts this year please come along to our AGM on Friday 22nd September at 9am in the school hall. There will be cake!

## WE LOVE READING!

This year in school we have a particular focus on encouraging our children to read for pleasure. To help with this we are opening up the school library every Thursday after school so that children can change their library books.

We are also having a 'Book of the Month' which all the children will read and which will be read in assembly. There will also be a copy in the entrance hall if you'd like to have a look too. This month's book is called 'Beegu' by Alexis Deacon.

We would also like to remind you of our parents' 'Book Swap' shelf which is also in the entrance hall. We have extra space now so if you are clearing out any books we would love to have them. They are free for everyone to borrow.

We are in the process of setting up a Facebook page for parents which we hope will keep you up to date with daily events happening in school.

Watch this space.....

## Parent Governor Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a parent governor. If you would like to be considered please call into the school office and pick up an application form. We would be particularly interested in anyone with HR or Personnel experience.

We are also replacing the role of School Councillors in school with 'Young Governors' which we hope will help children have a better understanding of what it means to be a school governor.

Can we also remind you that we are a nut-free school, as we have several children with severe nut allergies. We thank you for your co-operation on this matter.