



Welcome back to everyone to our new school year! We've a term full of exciting events —please see the Diary section on the Website for the full list of diary dates throughout the year.

Many thanks to Mrs Cuerden for designing our fantastic new School Logo...our squirrel is still there (looking very happy too)!

## SEPTEMBER NEWS....

### Back to School notes....

#### Diary dates.....

11/09 School Bank volunteer training 2.15pm followed by Parent Drop In Q&A with Tracy Darwin

Please Pledge to fill a Rotary Shoebox!

14/09 Sportscool Football all ages starting 3.30-4.30

7pm PTA Bay Horse

16/09 KS2 Football training Elite Sports 3.30-4.30

21/09 Y3/4 Science Trip

22/09 KS2 Football BWFC Maths

25/09 Start of **Supporting Others Week**. Visit to Get Together by Dave Baguley WinterWatch 9.30am

26/09 Sort out for Bags to School next week

30/09 Visit by Holly Taylor—Smith for Children's Charity Variety—Please bring £1 coin (or 2) to make the longest trail we can... Presentation to go on website.All donations welcome.

01/10 Bags to School for the Starlight Foundation

02/10 9.30am Harvest Festival in Church . EYFS please bring fruit baskets/ boxes. KS1 and KS2 please bring a 'carrier' of goods for WinterWatch—list to follow.

**HELLO**, Hope everyone is rested, relaxed and has enjoyed a super summer break -despite the weather- variable as always!

**FIRST**...a huge 'Rivington Welcome' to Miss Redmayne, our new bursar! The School Office now is located downstairs (where the Library used to be), making it easier for parents, visitors and contractors to go straight to the Office.

**LIBRARY!**..... The Library is now upstairs - just off Y5/6 classroom- a great new space to enjoy reading, work in groups etc- with a new range of books arriving in the next couple of weeks too!

#### SCHOOL BANK!

Our new School Bank venture will be starting on the 18th September- Let your child start their own Savings account and see how the pennies really do mount up with regular saving!

A fantastic and lifelong habit to start now. A huge ' Thank You' to our team of volunteers as they -together with Tracy Darwin from Unify- have made this possible! (See Website for Training session and Parents' Information Drop-In.)

#### PLANNERS!.....

This year each child will have their own Planner. This is for daily communication between Home & School - it also includes much information and copies of the Home/ School and E-Safety agreements to sign. As well as using to record your child's reading, please use these to let us know about appointments, queries, any

family news, celebrations or worries. Many thanks to the PTA for funding this!

#### AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS....

**Sportscool** After School Football (all ages) starts Monday 14th Sept £20 for 5wks -Taster sessions in school time Monday 7th.

**KS2 only** Football Practise sessions( 1hour )After School on Wednesdays starting 16th Sept to be run by **EliteCoaching** - 16spaces— letters available at the office to put your child's name down . We are now in the Lostock League, Cluster Schools' and Southlands Primary Leagues. Hoping to have many matches to go to!

**Many thanks** to both **Mr Taylor** for his sponsorship of our new school kit and the **PTA** for their funds—making this smart new kit possible.

**Get Together** on Friday mornings- now at 9.15—10am. Family

On our last day of last term £300 was stolen from Mrs Cliffe's bag in the Acorns— it was taken at sometime during the time Y6 were being cheered on their way and in the following hour. It was the Holiday Club money paid in by parents to fund food, activities, trips out. School replaced the money. If anyone saw or heard anything that may help the Police with their enquiries please let us know.

**Please note our new routines.....** Starting times are as usual- children come in from 8.50am to register at 9am. Children are not to be left in the playground unaccompanied before 8.50am.

**8.50-9am Parents please leave your child at the school door to come into school by themselves;** if you have a message for the classteacher please write this in your child's Planner-or send a letter in. There will be a member of staff 'on the door ' each day for urgent/unforeseen messages.

**If you need to see your child's teacher** please ring -or come in—to make an appointment through Miss Redmayne for a mutually convenient time at the earliest opportunity.( If you need to see your child's teacher immediately for an urgent reason this will still be possible. )

*From 8.50am onwards staff need to focus on the children as they arrive to ensure a calm start to the day.*

This is all part of our policy to Safeguard our children in school.

**It became increasingly crowded with parents in school last year; in corridors, classrooms and cloakrooms at the start and end of the day. To improve and make it safer for our children we ask for your help and co-operation.**

**Pre-School** parents may accompany their child into school for the first 3 weeks to help 'settle in'

**At the end of the day if parents need to come into school to speak to a member of staff please wait until 3.45pm (when all children will have left the building )before coming in.** Where possible always make an appointment through Miss Redmayne .

**Unless there is a prior appointment with a member of staff, Parents are not to be in school between 3.20 and 3.45pm .**

**Please respect this as it is to ensure the Safeguarding of all children in school.**

**Absences** may now be reported on the school absence line, school number –Option 1 - please leave a message. **Always let us know before 9am** on the day your child is absent -and why. Thank you.

**If your child is late please come to the School Office to see Miss Redmayne and sign your child in.** After 9am do not leave your child to come into school unaccompanied by an adult.

**If your child has an appointment** in school time please sign them out at the office and sign in on their return.

**School Dinners: Apart from emergencies please give 2 weeks notice of wanting to come off/ go onto school dinners. Thank you.**