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Message from Mrs Richards

A warm welcome back to school for the autumn term.

I have met many of you already in the playground at the start and end of the day, and I already feel very at home at Cathcart Street.

A parent has suggested a photo so you know who I am so here it is:



We have got off to a great start to the term and I have really enjoyed meeting the children, who have been polite, friendly and welcoming.

Thank you for getting the children into school on time looking so smart in uniform and school shoes.

Please keep up the good work with regard to punctuality and attendance.

I look forward to working with you.



Golden Tickets and P.O.C.

This is our new reward system for being 'spotted' upholding our Code of Conduct. We have also introduced our weekly 'Person of the Outstanding Character' or POC.

You will appreciate we not only develop academic skills but encourage our children to develop good character through effort, kindness, behaviour, manners and self control.

Attendance and Holiday Requests

For all parents new to school, can we flag up the issue of taking holidays within term time. It is now law that children **cannot take holidays** within term time except for very rare exceptions.

Therefore, please advise your relatives who may be booking a surprise holiday or inviting you to a wedding that parents will now face a fine. **Attendance** is a high priority and school will be taking a hard line.

We look forward to working with you on this.

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday Family Drop-In

Please join us from 9am for a bacon butty. Find out how we can best support you and your families. Informal and friendly. Please come.

Y1 & Y2 Flu Vaccinations

This is taking place on Wednesday 21st October 2015, consent letters to follow.



Parent Evenings

Week commencing Monday 16th November, appointment days and times to follow.



Harvest Donations

Please donate any dry/tinned, in date food goods by Tuesday 13th October.

Our Harvest celebration will take place on Wednesday 14th October.

WE ARE
MACMILLAN.
CANCER SUPPORT



MacMillan Coffee Morning

We will be raising money for Macmillan Cancer Support on Friday 25th September. Come along during the morning, all welcome.



Reading Week

Week beginning 12th October, Parents Workshop (KS2) at 1.15pm



Halloween Disco

Monday 19th October for KS1

Tuesday 20th October for KS2



Family Bingo

Friday 13th November 3.30-4.30 pm.

Further information will be sent out nearer the time.



Cats Club - Polite Reminder

If you book a place and then cancel or a child does not attend session, you will be charged.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.



Dinner Money

£2.25 per day or £11.25 per week. **This must be paid in advance.**

Parents will not be allowed to incur debt and we will telephone requesting a packed lunch if not paid in advance.



Staffing

We would like to welcome to Miss Aimee Bartley to our staff team in year 3.

We wish Miss Bartley a long and successful career at Cathcart Street Primary School.



Secondary School Preferences and Open Evenings

Schools are open over the coming weeks for evening visits. See local paper and we have a list in the entrance in school.

We encourage all Y5 and Y6 parents to visit in preparation for selection of their secondary preference.

School is open on the evenings of Friday 9th & Friday 16th October so parents can make their applications on line.

Y6 need to make their preference before 31st October 2015.

This must be done online at www.wirral.gov.uk/schooladmissions or call 0151 606 2020 for the booklet to be sent to you in the post.



Data Collection Forms

You will have received in your child's bag a Data Collection Form detailing the information that we hold in school.

Please make any amendments and sign and return the form to school ASAP.

It is vital you return forms for all children and not one per family.