

ASPIRE**SAFE****TRUST****RESPECT****KIND****PRIDE**Thursday 5th September

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome Back

It has been lovely welcoming the children back into school over the last few days, and to meet our new starters in Reception, Nursery and across the school. The children have been settling into their new classes exceptionally well and school is already very calm and purposeful. New friendships and relationships are being made and old ones rekindled – it's been a fantastic few days and a great start to the year.

Teacher 'Drop-In' Sessions

In July we held 'Meet the Teacher' meetings which were an opportunity for parents and carers to meet their child's class teachers for this year. To follow this up, teachers will be available after school on the following days next week for 'Drop-In' sessions.

Monday 9 th September	Tuesday 10 th September	Wednesday 11 th Sept	Friday 13 th September
Reception: Miss Ikin and Mrs Jurgis	Year 5: Mrs Flackett & Miss Croucher	Year 3: Mrs Hainsworth & Mrs Harriott	Year 2: Mrs Flower, Mrs Gill & Mrs Gattis
Year 1: Mrs Ford, Mrs Tuohy & Miss Hope	Year 6: Mrs Williams & Mrs Hall		Year 3: Mrs Adams
Year 4: Mrs Conheeny and Mrs Worsley			

***Nursery:** Wednesday 18th September

There will be no formal presentation like in July, but teachers will be available after school in their classrooms to have a quiet word with any parents who may want to introduce themselves, share any important information about their child, or ask any particular questions. If another family is chatting to a teacher please allow them space and privacy.

Please wait outside classrooms/the KS2 building at the end of the day after collection and teachers will let you know when you can come into the building.

Staffing Updates

Wedding bells were in the air over the Summer: congratulations to Mrs Williams (formerly Miss Evans) and Mrs Carson-Wade (formerly Miss Wade). Congratulations also to Mrs Coot who gave birth to a little boy this week. Mum and baby are doing well and we wish the family all the best.

Reception Parents' Reading Meeting

There will be a meeting for the parents of all children in Reception on Tuesday 24th September at 6pm. This will be to explain how reading is taught in Reception and what you can do to support your child, as well as another chance to meet your child's teacher and discuss any queries. We look forward to seeing you then.

Winnington Park PTA

The PTA are holding their AGM on Tuesday 17th September at 6pm at School. All parents and family members who would like to be involved with the PTA are warmly invited to attend the AGM and new members are always very welcome. We hope to see you there. winningtonparkpta@gmail.com

Attendance and Punctuality

A friendly reminder that all holidays should be booked outside of term time. Good attendance at school is essential if children are to make the most of their education. All absences for holiday will be unauthorised (unless in exceptional circumstances) and may lead to a fixed penalty notice being issued.

Punctuality over the last two mornings has been very good, but please remember that children should be inside their classrooms by 8.45am when registers are taken.

We are monitoring closely the congestion around the key stage 2 building and Year 2 classrooms at collection time and will make alternative plans if needed.

Job Opportunities at Winnington Park

Job vacancies at school are always advertised on the [Cheshire Schools Jobs website](#). A Midday Assistant post and Teaching Assistant post will be advertised tomorrow.

Online Safety

The Safeguarding Children in Education Team have asked schools to ensure parents and carers are aware of children and young people using the Monkey App for online chat. It is known by Cheshire Police and GMP that adults are using the app to speak to children, with possible grooming and the sharing of indecent images. Please monitor your child's online activity carefully.

A reminder: please do not use mobile phones on the school site and ensure you do not post any pictures of children at school, except for your own, on social media. You do not know which children are subject to safeguarding measures and whose location cannot be shared.

If you have accidentally shared images of children other than your own in their school uniform and at school on your social media recently, please take them down.

Asda Rewards

If you shop with Asda in store or online, make sure you have downloaded the Asda Rewards app. Select Winnington Park Primary School when you shop, and each time money will be donated directly to school! [Asda Rewards](#)

Fire Alarm Practice and Safety Practice

Next week we will be holding a fire alarm drill and a lockdown practice (called Safety Practice). We will explain to the children what is going to happen, what they need to do and will reassure them that there is no danger. Please let us know if your child has any questions following the practices that their teacher can help to answer.

We look forward to another busy and exciting year with you all.

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