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### SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

Welcome back to another exciting year at Donington Cowley Endowed Primary School. I hope you have all had a lovely summer break and have made the most of the sunshine.

I am greatly looking forward to seeing the implementation of our new curriculum across the school, with fantastic areas of study across all curriculum areasstarting off with a 2-week whole school local history focus upon Voyagers! It will be lovely to see the impact of several months of planning and preparation to ensure we have a broad curriculum offer which is ambitious for all of our children.

Please do keep an eye on class web pages to see what your children have been learning and the fantastic activities they have been involved in.

#### **Summer Holiday work**

You will have noticed changes to the school grounds over the summer break – having secured the school car park, the final stage of our fencing project will take place over the coming weeks to secure the perimeter of the school whilst still allowing access to the field.

Within school there have also been lots of developments and Mr Cowley has certainly been kept busy, redesigning the old stock cupboard into a music room, creating suitable storage areas and brilliantly developing our meeting room into a library/intervention room.

Thank you Mr Cowley!! 😊



#### **Forest School**

After developing and trialling Forest School last term the team are incredibly excited to be able to continue to offer this provision and have timetabled all children throughout the year to access this! The team will write out to relevant classes each half term so you know what clothing the children will need and when they will be taking part. Forest School offers so many opportunities and we are incredibly lucky to be able to enrich our curriculum through this.

After the huge success of the whole school production, I am delighted that Karl will again be joining us this year. Leading up to the production next summer he will be working with children across the school to develop their musical talents and skills. Until October half term he will be with Y5/6 and Y2 classes and then Y3/4 and YR/1 in the next half term.

#### Welcome

We are excited to welcome several new members of staff this year: Miss Melissa Cross- Dragonflies Class Teacher Mr Jack Scholley- Moles Class Teacher Mrs Nicole Mann- Falcons Class Teacher Miss Annie Hockin- EYFS/ Y1 Teaching Assistant Mrs Michelle Reeves- Y3/4 Teaching Assistant

#### Nuts

We now have a nut free policy across the whole school due to allergies.

#### Lateness

Just a reminder, as you will be aware from the previous newsletter, any pupils who now arrive late will need to be brought into school by parents and sign in via the app in reception. This will ensure we have always have current and up to date information regarding numbers in school for safeguarding and health and safety purposes and will support our drive on improving attendance and punctuality in accordance with policy.

#### **PTA**

We are aiming to start a PTA this term. If you are interested in becoming a member, please speak with Mrs Emma Floyd in the School Office – thank you.

## **Key Dates**

#### September

#### October

3rd Roots to Food 4th Roots to Food 14<sup>th</sup>- 17<sup>th</sup> Y5/6 Aylmerton Residential **21<sup>st</sup> Pupils Break up for Half Term** 

31st Start of Autumn Term 2

#### **November**

9<sup>th</sup>- Parent Meetings 18<sup>th</sup>- Children in Need

