



Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been lovely to meet with our new parents dropping off and collecting Reception pupils, who have started full-time schooling this week. There were a few tears on Monday as the children waved goodbye to their carers, but lots of laughter and eagerness to stay, play and learn. Hopefully we will soon be able to introduce the pupils (formally) to the rest of the school, at our Friday Celebration Assembly.

A letter went out last Friday regarding the forthcoming Harvest service on Tuesday 25th September at 9.30am. Please send in any food gifts to your child's class for a collection that will be going to the Halstead food bank. Thank you for the items that have already arrived in school.



### Health and Safety Hair

If your child has medium to long length hair please can you ensure that it is safely tied back.

### Diary note:

A reminder that October 29<sup>th</sup> (Monday after half term) is a non pupil day, and school will be closed.

### Kenyan Bishop's visit..

Bishop Charles Mwendwa, from the Meru diocese in Kenya, and his wife Abishag, joined Revd Liz Paxton, and the Archdeacon of Stansted, Robin King, at a special 'Harvest around the World' assembly in school on Tuesday. Our visitors toured the school, noting the children's exemplary behaviour.



### School values..

It has been lovely, this week, to observe our Yr 6 young adults organising and playing games with our new Reception children on the lower playground at lunchtime. They showed excellent leadership skills, a caring nature, modelled super behaviour and were very patient.

Well done Year 6 it was great to see!



### School play equipment..

Please can parents ensure that children do not use the play equipment on the field after school.

Unfortunately, the children are not covered by insurance outside school hours.

Thank you for your support.

### Parents Consultation evenings

will be on Tuesday 9th and Thursday 11th October. These will offer parents/carers the opportunity to meet with class teachers to discuss pupil progress.

More information - coming out soon.

A HUGE well done to our RECEPTION CLASS for achieving 100% attendance and consequently winning our Attendance Cup.

### Democracy in action...

At assembly this morning, children from Year 6 gave speeches to the wider school, as they sought election to the position of house captain. Children from all classes then cast their vote in the school's 'Polling Station'.



The new Year 6 school house captains have now been formally announced:

**Rowling** – Toby Howe, Ruby Weaver

**Berners Lee** – Sam Heather, Ella Lee

**Farah** – Ben Freshwater and Chloe Fitzpatrick

**Hawking** – Jack Smith, Milika Adams

Well done to all the children who stood for election and for the campaign speeches delivered with passion!

### School Uniform

Just a reminder that the school's uniform is:

White shirt/blouse /polo shirt

Blue cardigan/sweatshirt – with school logo

Grey skirt/trousers

Grey socks/grey tights/ black shoes

(As the Autumn term progresses, boots/wellies are acceptable – with a change of footwear for the class). *Thank you*



October's value in school is Friendship:

Please take every opportunity at home to celebrate when your child is kind and friendly to others (and please inform your child's teacher).



### Creative Dance at St Peter's

Earlier this week, children in KS2 all had the opportunity to participate in creative and expressive dance sessions. The focus for each class was different, but all the children had the opportunity to learn about historical and cultural dance moves and positions, and to work collaboratively on their own sequences.