

Learning for Life!



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Dear Parents and Carers,

A new school year has just started, and we welcome back all our families to the new school year! It was wonderful to see the pupils' faces when they walked through the doors last Tuesday to meet their friends as well as new pupils in their classes and around school.

For one third of our pupils, it also meant to move upstairs into their new learning areas. The first floor now houses four spacious learning areas, complete with breakout rooms and equipment stores. There is the Preparing-for Adulthood flat as well as the dining room. Although we are still awaiting some new furniture and IT equipment, all groups have been able to move in and make their new classrooms their own.

We would like to invite you, too, to have the opportunity to tour the upstairs area, and we are planning to do this on the 27th September, when you are hopefully able to join us for the Macmillan Coffee Morning. We will send more information about the event in due course.

Our first week of the new term focused on settling back to school, teambuilding within new class groups and exploring timetables and topics to be studied this half term. Pupils fed back that they really enjoyed lunchtime, which now runs upstairs as well as downstairs. Eating lunch in two separate spaces has made lunchtime a little calmer and less crowded.

This week, we are looking forward to restarting swimming and 'Everybody Reads' sessions. You have received information and dates for swimming last week.

And last but not least, I would like to let you know that the format of our school's newsletter will be changing. Classes will put together a half-termly newsletter, which should have more detailed and quality information about each group's learning, achievements and school events. We will, however, continue to send out flyers, dates and whole-school information as it arrives and update Tapestry and the school website regularly.

We are looking forward to working together with you again this school year, and we hope you will join us for school events and special occasions.

With best wishes for the new school year,

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