



Dear Parents and carers,

15<sup>th</sup> February 2019

**WELCOME BACK:** A warm welcome back to you all and I hope that you had an enjoyable summer. The children have all returned to school looking refreshed and very smart in their new uniforms.

**ECO SCHOOL:** Looking at how we take care of our environment and minimising our impact upon it, is a key priority on this year's School Development Plan (SDP). One of our aims is to reduce the amount of plastic that we throw away. We would like to encourage the children to reuse any plastics that they have. Therefore, we would like the children to bring water (not fruit juice, squash or fizzy pop) in a reusable bottle to drink throughout the day, including lunch time. Please do not send in drinks in single use plastic bottles or cartons. I thank you in advance for your support with this.

**FSU NEWS:** Firstly, I would like to welcome you all to the Reception classes. The children have had lots of fun, meeting up with old friends and making new ones, which I am sure will continue over the coming weeks. They have been exploring all the activities around the Reception classrooms and garden and learning how to use them safely. Also, they have been painting self-portraits, looking carefully at their faces and choosing the right colours. Many of the children have experienced school dinners for the first time and have thoroughly enjoyed them. We are looking forward to lots more fun and learning next week. Ms Rainer, FS Co-ordinator

**DATES FOR THE TERM:** Please find attached the diary dates for the term. It is hoped that with advanced warning, as many of you as possible will be able to join us at our many events. I look forward to seeing you all.

**LETTERS AND SOUNDS WORKSHOP:** We would like to invite Foundation Stage and Year 1 parents to a phonics workshop to be held in school on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September from 1.30pm-3pm. Your child will come home with a slip to fill in if you would like to attend. This workshop is designed to enable you to support your child with phonics. There will be information on letter sounds and how to use and apply these sounds when blending and segmenting words. You will also be able to ask any questions that you have relating to reading, writing and spelling. Mrs Ward, Assistant Head.

**PTA NEWS:** The PTA would like to remind you all of the AGM, which will be held at the school at 7pm on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September. The PTA cannot function without a good deal of parent support. Please come along to vote in a new committee, learn about what we do and how you can help. The PTA would also like to announce our new fundraising venture. Did you know that whenever you buy anything online – from your weekly shop to your annual holiday – you could collect a free donation for King's Meadow Primary School PTA? There are over 3,000 shops and sites on board ready to donate, including Amazon, eBay, John Lewis, Booking.com and Sainsbury's – and it doesn't cost you a penny extra! It's really simple, all you have to do is:

1. Join - Head to [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/kingsmeadowprish](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/kingsmeadowprish) and sign up for free.
  2. Shop- Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first, pick the retailer you want and start shopping.
  3. Raise- After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to us for no extra cost whatsoever!
- There are no catches or hidden charges and King's Meadow Primary School PTA will be really grateful for your donations. Thank you for your support. Lucy Lawrence, PTA Chair

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs L Daulton  
Headteacher