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Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome back!

The start of the new academic year is always an exciting time as children move into new classes, develop new skills and generally grow - some seem to have shot up over the summer holidays!

We are hoping for a happy and settled year where everyone achieves their full potential.

Parent and Pupil Chat

Next Friday (15th September 9am) we will be inviting parents to join their children in the hall for an informal chat about how we can improve Mill Lane - I am not promising we can do everything but we will listen. Your children will then leave and you will have the chance to air your views in an adult only environment - details will follow.

Food intolerance and allergy information

Over the summer holidays Kirklees have issued new guidance on food allergies and intolerances. If any child has any food allergy or intolerance we now need to write an Individual Healthcare Plan for them; we can write this in school but it **MUST** be based on medical evidence. Over the coming weeks we will be contacting any families who this applies to but if you are able to provide the evidence sooner that would help us enormously.

Medical evidence would have to be in writing from a recognised medical practitioner and would need to include the following:

1. The food to which your child has an intolerance or allergy
2. The symptoms they display when a reaction occurs
3. The treatment needed if a reaction occurs eg medicine and dosage

Medical evidence can be in the form of a letter or on a plan provided by the GP or consultant.

If you are unable to provide written medical evidence we can refer your child to the school nurse who can, with your consent, access medical records and provide the evidence.

Without this information we would not be able to write an Individual Healthcare Plan which would mean Kirklees catering would provide only their standard menu. Kirklees Catering will implement this in November so the sooner we can gain medical evidence the better.

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Educational Visits - reminder

This is just to remind you that, in line with government advice, we will no longer be requesting parental consent for school trips that take place within the school day and do not include anything "extra risky"; we will always seek consent for nursery children.

We will let you know when and where we are going and what we will be doing in the usual way. Voluntary contributions will be collected on Parent Pay. **Trips will be cancelled if enough voluntary contributions are not collected.**

Here's looking forward to a fabulous year. Please contact me via the school office if you ever need to tell or ask me anything.

Yours sincerely

Miss C Barlow
Head Teacher

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