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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back!

A very big hello from us all at Rusper. It was lovely to see so many smiling and friendly faces this morning, and so many confident children walking into their classes. I was especially impressed with how settled our new starters were in the Gruffalo class when I wandered in at 9:30 – I would not have believed that this was their first day. Well done to the children; to you (parents and carers) for preparing them so well and to Mrs. Rodgers and her team for creating the right start.

We look forward to a very exciting academic year ahead for all our pupils, and to a continued positive working relationship with you – our super supportive parent/carers community.

Thank you, Mr. A

Staffing

You will all be pleased to know that Ms. Clarke continues to recover well from her treatment. Her exact return date to Rusper is not yet established. It is likely she will be with us again before half term. When she returns, it will be phased – part time toward full time. In her absence, the pupils in Unicorn class will continue to be covered by Mrs. Comber, who did such a wonderful job for us in the summer term.

Pupil Performance

I'm very pleased to share the news that last academic year produced the most successful all round pupil performances at KS1 and KS2 since the advent of the new National Curriculum in 2014. Details of overall performance within specific subjects will be published on the school website once all national data has been verified.

Playground Equipment

Our wonderful external provision has developed to include a new climbing frame, all-weather chess table, two all-weather table tennis tables and now some gym equipment. With the exception of the climbing frame, these installations are aimed at our older pupils (Key Stage 2) to broaden their play/fitness opportunities. It is our aspiration to continue to find new ways to make play constructive, safe and healthy for all our pupils. If you are interested in seeing the equipment, please pop into the office or catch Mr. A at the gate and request a peek!

Extra-curricular clubs

Further to the notice given at the end of last term, we are excited to be able to a greater variety of specialist clubs from external providers. Please take the time to review which, if any, of these clubs you would like your children to attend.

Day	Time	What
Monday	3:30 – 4:30	KS1 Multi-sports with coach Kim
Tuesday	8:00 – 8:45 (first half term) 3:45 – 4:30 (second half term)	Tennis with LTA coach Luke
Wednesday	3:30 – 4:30	Dodgeball with 'Crawley Town Outreach'
	3:30 – 4:30	Tae Kwon Do with Mr Walker (4 weeks only)
Thursday	3:30 – 4:30	Outdoor Fitness with 'Up and Outdoor Fitness'
	3:30 – 5:00	Forest School with 'Woods For Learning'
Friday	3:30 – 4:30	Dance with 'KC Dance'





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Please note: it is essential that you notify the office with requests for club places by 3:45pm on Friday 7th September, using the following [link](#).

Details of any additional clubs offered by teachers will follow shortly.

Reminder about outstanding financial accounts

Over the course of the last term there have been a number of requests for parental contributions to cover the costs of various activities, including school trips, swimming lessons, Zoolab visitors etc. As these are voluntary contributions, there is no obligation to pay. However, if we do not raise enough money to cover the majority of the costs, we will no longer be able to facilitate such activities. As such, we ask that if you *are* able to pay for your child(ren)'s participation in these events but have forgotten until now, we would still gratefully receive your contribution.

Non-urgent First Aid messages

We'd like to draw your attention to a slight change in our process for communicating non-urgent first aid messages (i.e. non-urgent bumped heads and nose bleeds). Previously you would have received these messages via text message, and from now on they will be sent out via email. Where an incident is more urgent, the process remains the same, and you will receive a phone call in the first instance.

September		
6th	All Day	Mad Science Day - Hobbit
7th	Midday	Paid Club request deadline
12th	8:50 – 3:30	Reception children stay all day
28th	9am	Individual School Photographs – All Years

Dates for the term are still being set so please keep an eye on the notice board outside the office and in forthcoming newsletters.