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WELCOME BACK!

Dear Parents/ Carers

It is my pleasure to welcome you all back to a new academic year here at St Chad's. I hope that you have had a relaxing summer break with your loved ones. I would like to say an extra 'warm welcome' to our new children and families that are joining us in Nursery and Reception – *welcome to the St Chad's Family!*

It is wonderful to see the children dressed very smartly. Thank you for supporting the school's uniform policy and changes to the purchasing of school uniform. **Please can I remind you that all children need a full P.E kit and Book Bag in school every day.** Bags can be purchased from our main school office (£3.50).

The start of a new year is a good time to stress the importance of attendance and punctuality to the children's learning. Children's attendance has a direct impact on their attainment and for this reason it is important that children are in school every day. **We are kindly reminding all of our families that our school's attendance target is 96%.** We have had a number of children arriving late into school. Our gates open at 8:45am and our school day begins at 9am. **If your child arrives after 9am they are late.** A reminder of our school routine and attendance procedures can be found on our school website:

<http://www.stchads.derby.sch.uk/website>

Our school website has a detailed section for **parents/carers** where you will find LOTS of useful information relating to all areas of school life (look across the top of the webpage for the tab called Parents/Carers). Please have a look at our website and stay up-to-date with important events. We are adding to our school calendar daily. Over the next few weeks we will be uploading information on our curriculum and what your child will be learning this year in their class. We hope that you find the pages helpful and accessible.

Thank you for your continued support. Here's to a very successful academic year with lots of learning, happiness and wonderful memory-making!

Yours faithfully,

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