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Autumn Parent Consultations

Dear Parents,

In an earlier letter, we outlined important dates for the upcoming year. As part of the letter, we communicated dates for parent consultations. Due to ensuring we are meeting the COVID guidance for schools, we have had to adjust these dates as well as the format of the consultations themselves.

Firstly, we hope you agree that Class Dojo provides us all with an invaluable tool in which to maintain contact between parent/carer and class teacher/phase leader. It allows for constant, ongoing lines of communication and supports us to provide the best of provision for the children in school, whilst supporting you at home. During 2020, this has never been more important. Our Class Dojo engagement with parents is highly successful and has allowed the children to be reintegrated following the most difficult of circumstances.

The important next step was to assess the children's understanding upon return to school – these are now complete. Upon the completion of our analysis, we now have a clear picture of how to target our teaching and how to best support each individual child in the Autumn Term. The basic findings of our assessments, as well as a picture of how well each child has returned to school, will form the basis of our **Autumn Baseline Pupil Progress Reports** – these will be sent out on **Thursday 5th November**, via Class Dojo.

Ordinarily, we would discuss these reports with you as part of a face-to-face consultation. Unfortunately, for this term, we will be unable to host parent consultations, in school, as we have been used to. However, it is our opinion that by receiving each child's report, in addition to the continued, ongoing communication on Class Dojo, this will mean that many parents will not necessarily require an appointment with the class teacher.

Whilst this will be the case for many, for some parents, there may be information in the report that will require clarification. If this cannot be rectified on Class Dojo, **a telephone appointment can be requested**. This can be done by informing the class teacher on Dojo. **A suitable time will then be arranged in w/b 9th November**.

We are asking families to only request an appointment if absolutely necessary. We would be unable to support every family requesting an appointment – we thank you in advance.



As we move towards the Spring Term, we hope school guidance will change, allowing our parental community back in school to work alongside us again. In the meantime, we thank you for your support as we try to adjust our offer in such challenging circumstances.

Best wishes

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