



Dear Parents / Carers

5<sup>th</sup> November 2018

I am aware that many of you have observed several of the changes within our school over the past few months and I would like to thank you for your supportive comments. Our learning environment is well organised, purposeful and supportive for the children. As a team we will continue to drive these improvements and I wanted to take this opportunity to remind you of our expectations.

Our Behaviour Policy has been updated and is on the School website for you. We hope this is now clearer to read and understand.

Our RESPECT code supports our children to recognise the positive learning behaviours that we expect to see and many of our children have already received awards in Celebration Assemblies. We now have four Diamond Learners in school. These learners have demonstrated determination, independence, aspiration and meticulous care in their learning. They are organised, try their utmost and are driven. They are the class ambassadors and I am well aware that we have several more children who will soon be joining them.

Each year group has their own set of non-negotiables which are displayed in every classroom. The children are reminded of these expectations consistently and it is imperative that they meet these expectations on a daily basis as they will support all children to make progress. These non-negotiables are basic skills such as correct letter formation, legible handwriting, correct spelling of words that they have been given and neat presentation which are required at all times. In order to reinforce these expectations it may be that children are asked to use a small part of their playtime to correct their learning if they have not followed the advice given to them by the adults in the classroom. I know that you all want the best for your child and will support this action if it is needed.

Thank you for your support with attendance. We have received three complimentary certificates from the Diamond Learning Trust for securing 96% attendance or above for three weeks. This is great news! Please keep up the good work in ensuring that your child attends school every day and is punctual.

You will receive your child's class newsletter for this half term. This has the Home Learning tasks for this term and I look forward to seeing a range of tasks week beginning 26<sup>th</sup> November. All children need to continue to practise their maths ( Maths Whizz) and Reading ( Accelerated Reader) daily. Thank you for your support with these tasks. It really does make such a positive difference! Please come and speak to myself or one of the team if you feel that your child is struggling with their home learning.

In your Class Newsletter there is a reminder of your child's PE days. Please ensure that your child has the appropriate PE clothing as they become quite upset if they can't join in with their peers in PE. This includes the removal of earrings as they are not permitted to participate with their peers if they have earrings.

Now that the weather is becoming wetter, children will be asked to wear wellies on the field. Please ensure that your child's wellies are clearly named. Thank you.

### A few reminders of dates

- The **PTFA** meet **TONIGHT** at 7pm. All welcome!
- You are all warmly invited to our **School Remembrance Day Service** on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 1.20pm
- 16<sup>th</sup> November will be our next **Celebration Assembly**. It is also Children in Need day and we will be encouraging children to wear spotty clothing to support this very worthwhile charity. The cost of wearing non uniform on this day will be £1 as a minimum donation. We hope to see as many of you as possible at our *Celebration Assembly*.
- We will be holding a **Maths café** on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November at 2.15pm. Please come along and find out more about *Maths Whizz* and our *Calculation Policy*.

I am very interested in your views and suggestions so please feel free to have a chat or drop me a line - [office@thomaseaton.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:office@thomaseaton.cambs.sch.uk)