



Dear Parent/Carer

We'd like to take this opportunity to let you know about some of the plans we have for next term.

### **Changes to timetables**

Now we know your child a little better - we've done some assessments and have learned what they are like as individuals - it's time to look at our teaching groups. We'll be changing them to make sure each group is more balanced so that every child can access the learning. We also have some new teaching staff which means your children will have subject specialists teaching them for even more of the time.

### **Work with Square Food**

Launching in the new year is local community group, Square Food, who are excited to be providing off site cooking sessions for some of our young people. This is a great opportunity to do cooking and food preparation under the guidance of "real world" experts. If your child is involved in this, we'll let you know details a little nearer the time. Your child will receive their new timetable on Friday.

### **Being Ready to Learn**

When we start the new term, we'd like all our children to have full equipment and uniform - including the correct PE kit. If you need support with this, please let us know.

We know that 11 and 12 year olds don't like wearing coats - but please try to send one in with your child as they do get chilly at playtime! On this note - a reminder that the school gates do not open until 8.40, so we would encourage you to not get your child to school much before this as otherwise they are waiting in the cold. The exception to this is children who are booked into breakfast club - they need to arrive between 8.10 and 8.20.

We hope we'll see you at our Winter Celebration on Friday afternoon- if not, we hope you have a restful and enjoyable break.

Thank you,

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