



Goldenhill Primary Academy



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"Everyone shines at Goldenhill"

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Welcome back!

We hope you have all had an amazing summer break and managed to create many memories! I know the children will tell us all about them over the next few days. We are so excited to be welcoming you all back and ready to start a new academic year. In order to help you and the children transition into their new year group, here are a few important bits of information for the upcoming term:

- By Friday 12th September, all children will have been issued with their **reading books**. It is essential that children are experiencing reading as much as possible, especially at this stage in their learning. There are prizes for readers that complete the Aiming High competition. Each time a child reads, they move up a cloud towards the rainbow. If they reach the rainbow they will receive a prize at the end of the half term.
- This term, Year 1 will have P.E lessons on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**. Children should **arrive at school in their correct P.E Uniform on Tuesdays and Thursdays** and will **remain in their PE kit** for the rest of the day. Please ensure children are wearing the correct PE kit and earrings are covered if they can't be removed.
- Homework will be set weekly. This will be an activity of your choice from the homework grid which will be issued in the homework books. Children will also be issued with a phonics homework sheet which will cover the sounds and words taught in phonics that week. Please practice the sounds and words as much as possible as that will put your child in good stead for the phonics check in June and assist with their daily reading ability. **New homework books will be handed out on Friday 12th September**. Children should hand their homework books in by the Wednesday of every week and they will be given back out every Friday.
- A healthy snack will be provided, from school, for the children to eat at break time but children are able to bring in a **healthy snack** from home if they wish.
- Children need to bring in their own **water bottles** with them so they can have a drink throughout the school day.
- Children do not need to bring their own pencil cases into school. All the stationery they need will be provided for them.
- Please see the topic web that has been sent out alongside this letter and uploaded to the class page on the website for specific information about what your child will be learning this term.

On **Thursday 11th September** we will be holding a **Meet the Teacher** session at **3.20pm** and **5pm**. During this meeting we will discuss Year 1 in more detail surrounding topics and assessment that will take place throughout the year. If you cannot attend, the presentation will go on the class webpage too!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask any of the year 1 staff who will always be on hand to answer any queries. We cannot wait to get to know you all over the next year alongside the children! We know it is going to be an **amazing year** for us all!

Thank you for your continued support,
Miss Hart.