

Friday 10th September 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school at the start of a new academic year. We hope you have had an enjoyable summer break. What a successful start to the new school year we have had. Thank you for your support getting the children ready to come back to school. They all look very smart in their uniforms. The classes are getting used to their new teachers and for some their new entrances and cloakrooms. Back to work straight away for all our children. Our website will be updated in September so that you can see on the curriculum pages what your child will be learning.

Reception class: Mrs Beaumont
Year 1: Miss Darby
Year 2: Mrs Gledhill
Year 3: Miss Cranton
Year 4: Miss Sidebottom
Year 5: Mrs Jacques/Miss White
Year 6: Miss Montgomery

We kindly ask you to drop off your child at their allotted time and **no earlier**. If you have children in different classes with different start and end times please drop them off and pick them up at the latest time for your family. We do have a record of this and the teachers know that some children will arrive later than others.

Health and safety

Just before the summer the Inspire MAT secured funding for replacement of the school roof. As you may have seen, in the bottom playground, the building work has started. This will be on-going during the Autumn Term, so changes to entrances will be advised if and when necessary. We ask parents are vigilant at all times when in the bottom playground. Please do not walk past the band room as the slope currently has scaffolding and fences making it narrower than usual. We ask that you walk as far away from the scaffold and welfare area as possible to avoid any accidents or hazards. Notices for Reception/Year 1 and Year 6 are on the fence for children to line up at, at the end of the day.

Risk Assessment

We are hoping to return back to some normality this year, but unfortunately some things will still remain the same for the time being, e.g. no parents in school. All queries/absences email gca-enquiries@ipmat.co.uk. When emailing please ensure you type your child's first name and year group so communication can be dealt with efficiently.

Children coming into school should bring with them their coats, water bottle and their lunch. No bags are required except for Y6 swimming bags on a Friday.

A reminder that we do have children in school who have allergies. We ask that no nuts in any form are sent into school.

Labelling – please ensure all uniform, especially sweatshirts and P.E. kit are labelled.

P.E.

New P.E. tops have been handed out this week to the children.

P.E. Days

Starting week commencing 13th September, on P.E. days the class will come to school in their P.E. kit. As per the Parent handbook on our website, Menu, Parents, Parent handbook there is a listing of PE kit.

Reception – Thursday

Year 1 – Tuesday

Year 2 – Thursday

Year 3 – Wednesday

Year 4 – Monday and Thursday (both days to come in kit)

Year 5 – Wednesday

Year 6 – Monday

Please note Year 6 will have swimming on Friday mornings. To come to school in their PE kit along with the swimming kit in a bag. See Parent handbook for swimming items to be worn. Information was sent home this week with your child.

Sporting Activities

We are in the process of arranging various afterschool activities, and forms will be sent out via Microsoft forms next week for you to register your child.

Wakefield music lessons

We have not yet received the registers from Wakefield Music School. As soon as we receive the listings, you will be notified to make the payment via our School Cash Office prior to lessons starting.

Useful information

From time to time we receive information from various agencies which may be useful to parents.

[Sleep Well For Sleeptember - The Sleep Charity](#)

Take a look at the above info on Sleeptember. It is a good opportunity to promote the importance of sleep as we return to school and to raise awareness with our students (and colleagues!) of the positive benefits of sleeping well.

Collection of Morrisons vouchers

For every £10 you spend (in store or online) at Morrisons, you'll get a Grow Token to help your school get everything they need to get growing.

Download the My Morrisons app* or [log into your online account](#) today to start collecting Grow Tokens and choose the school you'd like to donate them to.

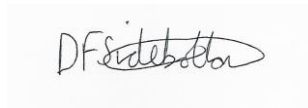
Simply scan your digital My Morrisons or physical card in store, or link your My Morrisons card to your online account to get Grow Tokens every time you shop.

Picture News

Please find attached this week's Picture News poster. Picture News is a resource used in school to promote discussion around current issues. Each week there is a homework activity with an image and a question. We would encourage you to talk about this at home with the children. There are no right or wrong answers, it is a forum for discussion.



Mrs C Harris
Head of School



Miss D. Sidebottom
Assistant Headteacher

<u>Upcoming Diary Dates</u>		
Dates	Event	Who is it for?
Wednesday 9 th September	Return to school	Whole School
Wednesday 29 th September	Harvest Festival	Whole School
w/c 18 th October	Parent consultations	
Friday 22 nd October	Break up for half term	
Monday 1 st November	INSET – Nursery/School closed	
Tuesday 2 nd November	Return to school	
Friday 17 th December	Break up for Christmas	
Monday 3 rd January	Bank Holiday	
Tuesday 4 th January	Return to school for the Spring Term	

- Please note for future amendments to diary dates, these will be in blue.



Picture News

at Home

6th September 2021

What's going on this week?



Over the past two weeks the Paralympics have taken place in Tokyo, following the postponed 2020 Olympics. The event has featured athletes with disabilities competing in 539 events, across 22 different sports. Ahead of the games, ParalympicsGB launched a campaign to make disabled people *Impossible to Ignore*. The initiative was developed after research showed Paralympic athletes are key to challenging perceptions of disability in the UK.

Things to talk about at home...

- 🍎 Have you been watching the Paralympic games? If so, what have been your highlights?
- 🍎 What do you think the ParalympicsGB's campaign slogan 'Impossible to Ignore' means?
- 🍎 Talk about why you think it's important to make everyone feel included in all areas of life.

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments here...



Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others on our discussion board: www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss