

Learning for Life



## Sutton in Craven C.E (V.C) Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the start of a new year and a particular welcome to all our new starters and their families. I hope you all had a lovely break and that the children are well-rested and looking forward to the new term; I know the staff in school have been busy planning lots of exciting things for them to do.

Please keep an eye out for the key dates list which will be coming out in September as we have set a number of key dates, such as parents evening, for the year already in order to give you as much notice as possible.

You will have seen from the banner outside school that we are supporting the Fallfest event from the 21<sup>st</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup> September. Blossom class are busy helping make a rocket to be displayed as part of a rocket trail around Cross Hills and Glusburn. The older children are invited to form a choir to take part in a 'sing off' against other local schools on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September and then the opportunity to perform a joint piece on stage with the headline act (David Live – a David Bowie tribute band) on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September – details will follow in a separate letter.

I also wanted to give you an update regarding the school building and the planned (and unplanned!) work that was carried out over the holidays. You will have seen that the new playground equipment has been installed and I have no doubt that the children will get a lot of use out of this. Our thanks to the pupil-parent council who have part-funded this for the children. We have also had a new server installed, which will hopefully speed our ICT up for us, and they have finished installing the new boiler.

In other building news, unfortunately the school suffered a small flood in the main corridor and entrance to hall and library during the heavy rain over the second weekend of the school holidays. The problem that caused this has been fixed, dehumidifiers were on site for a number of weeks drying things out and the damage to the inside of the building has been repaired. However, we lost over two thirds of our reading scheme to water damage, including all our early reading books, as well as some musical instruments and PE equipment. We are working to replace these items and I am sure we will have your support and understanding as we are unable to get reading books out to children immediately. Please do continue to read with your child using books you have at home or from the library and record this in the children's planners and we will strive to get reading books out to you as soon as possible.

Finally, a quick plea...if you changed your phone numbers or address over the holiday please can you let us know as soon as possible as it is important we can get hold of you quickly in an emergency.

I look forward to working with you all over the coming year. As ever, if you do have any concerns or queries please do not hesitate to contact myself, your child's class teacher or Mrs Hayton and Mrs Chacksfield in the office.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Katy Herbert, Headteacher

