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# Friday 18 September 2015

#### **Dear Parents/Carers**

It has been a busy but lovely first few weeks of term. I am pleased to say that on the whole, term has started well and the children are settling well into their new classes and are working hard.

#### Attendance and Lateness

Attendance so far has been very good and incidents of lateness are low. However, if, for whatever reason, you are late to school in a morning (after 8.50am) please report to the main office (Stakeford Lane entrance). Please DO NOT attempt to enter the building from the yard. This is for the safety of all children arriving at school and those already in the building.

#### British Food Fortnight

To celebrate British Food Fortnight, we would like to invite all parents and carers into school to share a school dinner with your child. This will take place over the week starting Monday 28 September with lunches costing £2.50 being served at 11.30am. Further information will follow early next week as each class will have an allocated day for you to sign up to.

#### Your Views

As a new Headteacher to Mowbray, I would like to hear your views on the school in order to help me plan for the future. To help with this I have attached a short questionnaire about different aspects of the school. I would appreciate it if you could spare a few minutes to complete the questionnaire and then return it to school by Wednesday 23 September.

As a thank you for completing it, you have the option of putting your name on the top of the questionnaire. Names will be entered into a draw for a KINDLE WI-FI TOUCH which was kindly donated to school as a prize from one of our suppliers – Grace Office Supplies (Blyth).

#### Harvest Assembly

We would like to invite all parents and carers to our Harvest Assemblies this year on Friday 23 October. The Early Years and Key Stage 1 assembly will be 9.00am – 9.30am in the school hall. Key Stage 2 will follow from 9.45am – 10.15am.

Any donations of tinned or packaged food will be greatly accepted from Monday 19 October, or from Wednesday 21 October for fresh fruit/veg. After the assembly, Harvest will be donated to Wansbeck Food Bank.

#### Parent's Evening

Two dates for parents evenings have been arranged for you to meet your child's teacher in order to discuss: how your child has settled; their attainment and their targets for the coming year. The choice of evenings will be Monday 19 October and Wednesday 21 October. Appointment time requests will follow shortly.

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## MacMillan Coffee Morning

Following several requests we will be holding a MacMillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning on Friday 25 September. This will be in the school hall from 9.00am to 10.30am. All parents/carers are welcome to attend and donations of cakes/biscuits would be very welcome too!

## Year 6 Transition to Secondary School

Year 6 will visit Bedlingtonshire Community High School on Monday 21 September, leaving school at 9.10am and returning by 12.15pm as part of our transition work with them. As a reminder to Year 6 parents, online applications for your child's preference of secondary school for Year 7 are now open through the Northumberland County Council website, online applications will close on 31 October 2015.

Mr A Miller Headteacher