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Dear Parents / Carers

Welcome Back to School

I would like to take this opportunity to write and thank everyone for the warm welcome I have had, even despite the cold and rain this morning. It was lovely to speak to some of you on the yard, please feel free to come up for a chat!

I also thought I'd take the opportunity to pass on some information to you at the start of this new year.

School Start times

So that we can increase the amount of lesson time in the school day, I have implemented a new timetable for each class (which will be available on the website shortly). To enable this timetable to work, all lessons now start at 9.00am. I request that all children be on site for doors opening at 8.45am from Monday 7 September. There is no change to the timings at the end of the day.

Reminders

As per the newsletter at the end of last term, can I remind everyone that the following rules apply:

- No jewellery (except a watch in KS2 or any jewellery worn on religious grounds). If children attend school wearing earrings you will be required to remove them on safety grounds.
- Make-up is not allowed.
- Mobile phones, MP3 players or other electronic devices will not be allowed in school. If you feel for any reason your child needs a phone for after school, please contact the school office.

Tour of Britain Cycle Ride

As you may be aware, the Tour of Britain Cycle Ride will go through Guide Post, Choppington and Bedlington next Wednesday (9 September). The race is estimated to arrive in the area from around 3.00pm and road closures affecting Stakeford Lane will be in place from 2.40pm onwards to around 4.00pm. Because of this, I have been advised by both Northumbria Police and Northumberland County Council to close school at 2.00pm on the 9th to allow safe travel home.

Behaviour Policy

Following a review of our Behaviour Policy, an updated policy is available for consultation from the School Office for the next week. Changes to the policy are around consequences and rewards. The full policy will be available on the website after the consultation period ends.

Yours sincerely

Mr A Miller Headteacher