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Dear Parents/Carers

As we enter October I felt I would write to update and inform you on several areas.

British Food Week

It has been lovely to see so many parents and carers attending school for lunch this week. Over the week we have had 114 parents or carers visit and enjoy a roast lunch with their child.

Feedback has been positive and we aim to put on more events like this – with more notice next time!

Forest School

As we are heading into the autumn and winter months, Mrs Ogglesby has asked if anyone has any of the following items they would be willing to donate for children to use at Forest School;

- Wellington Boots,
- Hats, scarves, gloves
- Waterproof trousers

If you are having an autumn shed or garage clear out, Mrs Ogglesby would also welcome any donations of items such as rope or tarpaulin etc.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club remains very popular. Staff running the club have asked if anyone would be willing to donate any games or activities they are no longer using at home for Breakfast Club to use. Breakfast Club runs daily from 8.00am until school starts. For more information contact the school office.

Walk on Wednesdays

We are again taking part in Walk on Wednesdays throughout October. I am sure most of you will be familiar with this scheme – we have attached a leaflet as a reminder of how Walk on Wednesdays works.

Feedback from Questionnaires

Thank you for filling out the questionnaires. They have been very useful to me in terms of planning the future. Over 70 families returned questionnaires with 98% agreeing that their child/ren enjoy coming to school and 96% agreeing that their child/ren are safe at school.

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What Will We Improve On?

- Provision of out of school clubs scored quite low. This is an area we will discuss and will improve on across all age groups in school.
- We acknowledge that communication and notice of events must be improved. This has begun already. The school website is undergoing a redesign to make information more accessible. A school Twitter feed will follow shortly and we are investigating a school Facebook page. A full calendar of events for the remainder of this academic year will be published over the next week or so. Some events, trips etc may be added over the course of the year. When adding new events we will aim to give a minimum of two weeks notice. On occasions where we are working with other organisations or agencies, we will give information as soon as we possibly can.
- The school seeking the views of parents/carers and listening to concerns scored lower than
 it should do. We will be seeking your views and opinions more often on a range of matters.
 If you have any concerns about any issues related to school, please do not hesitate to
 contact your child's teacher, Key Stage Leader, Mrs Baldwin or myself. In this way we can
 work together to improve Mowbray further.

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