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Proverbs 22 v 6

**Our Christian value this term is  
THANKFULNESS**

**Our Heartsmart principle is “No way  
through isn’t true”**

**Dates for your Diary**

18<sup>th</sup> September Education Library Bus visit

23<sup>rd</sup> September MAD education (year 6)

27<sup>th</sup> September 2pm Coffee Afternoon.

16<sup>th</sup> October Individual/sibling Photos

22<sup>nd</sup> October Year 6 IWM Trip

22<sup>nd</sup> October Year 5 Weaver Hall Trip

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school over the last couple of weeks, we have seen lots of smiles and heard lots of about their adventures over the summer.

We have had a very busy start to the Autumn term.

Our new Reception have made a fabulous start to school and joined us for the first time today in our celebration assembly.

We have had a values day thinking about our value for this half term which is Thankfulness, and we have completed a whole school art project using the book ‘All are welcome here’.

Children look smart in their uniforms, and it has been a pleasure to walk round school seeing children actively engaged in learning in their classes.

You will have received information to say that we are signed up to the Asda school fund raising initiative so if you do shop in Asda please do sign up as we receive money into school to support your children.

If you have expressed an interest in being part of a parent partnership group, then you should have received information about a meeting for us all to get together. If you haven’t, or would like to join us please just call the school office and speak to Miss knights for more details.

Finally, you will know that attendance regulations changed on the 19<sup>th</sup> of August 2024. For more information, please look at the school website for the parent guidance document.

We have had a great start to the new school year with lots of fun after school clubs starting up this past week along with more to come in the following weeks.

Lego Club will begin next Tuesday.

Piano lessons will be starting shortly, more information will be sent direct to parents via school spider.

**HOUSE POINT WINNERS**

Abraham house won this week – well done everyone!

They have earnt an extra 10 minutes play

Reception children will be joining the houses from October half term once they are settled.





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### Governor's welcome.

As we start a new school year together, I would like to extend a warm welcome to you all. Some families have been part of the Wharton team for many years with generations of family members attending our school. For some, these are your first weeks. Welcome to you all.

I believe that a feeling of belonging is really important to help us to thrive and feel safe. Part of belonging is knowing who is who so I would like to introduce myself.

I am Sue Tomlinson (no relationship to our headteacher!) and have the privilege and pleasure of being Chair of Governors at Wharton.

I am mother to 2 beautiful, grown up daughters and I've been a Teacher for many years including being a headteacher of 3 different schools. I love gardening and to be outside, when it's warm! I also enjoy yoga and walking. I'm interested in how we learn, grow and develop as people which is where my interest in education comes from.

You will see me around school and I'm always interested to meet you and hear your views. Please stop and have a chat when you have time.

I hope that your child\children have settled into the new school year well.

Good wishes  
Sue



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### Important information.

Snack price list;

TOAST	HALF A BAGEL	MILK	JUICE APPLE / ORANGE	FRUIT	FRIDAY ONLY BACON BUTTY
20p	25p	25p	30p	30p	60p Or £1:20

Reminder; dinners are £2.45 per meal £12.25 per week.

**PLEASE CAN WE ENSURE WE ARE ALL PAYING FOR SNACKS. WE HAVE NOTICED AN INCREASE IN CHILDREN SAYING THEY ARE PAYING ONLINE AND THIS IS NOT THE CASE.**

There is no access on to school grounds unless you carry a blue badge. Parents **MUST NOT park along the drive, down to the school!** This is especially dangerous now for children coming in and out of school as parents are turning the road due to the barrier. This also reduces visibility crossing the road. Parents can use the public carpark next to the school. Please help us in keeping the children safe at drop off and pick up times



### Attendance notice.



Can parents/carers please note that request for absence that has not been authorised will result in a fixed penalty notice.

The Government discourages taking holidays in term time. Evidence shows that children who miss school do not achieve as well as those who attend regularly. The law has restricted a Head Teacher’s ability to authorise holidays during term time. Head Teachers are now only empowered to approve a leave of absence when it is requested in advance by the parent or carer with whom the child resides and when circumstances of the requested leave are ‘exceptional’.

Should you still choose to take a holiday with your child during this period the Local Authority will be informed as this will constitute an unauthorised absence. A Fixed Penalty Notice will then be issued in accordance with section 444 of the Education Act 1996.

The law stipulates that the current penalties payable by parents are £60 when the penalty is paid within 21 days and £120 when the penalty is paid within 28 days. This penalty is per parent/carers per child.

If the fixed penalty is not paid this could lead to parents/carers being prosecuted in the Magistrates’ Court.

If you feel the decision has not taken into account any relevant exceptional circumstances, then you will need to contact the school immediately for further discussion.

### Attendance Award.

**Attendance Champions this week are With %**

Class	Percentage
Peach	92.8
Pear	96
Cherry	69.8
Damson	98.4
Beech	96.2
Oak	99.6
Maple	96.2
Willow	94.5
Sycamore	95.8