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Dear Parents / Carers,

Congratulations to:

Gold Star Children this week who are:



Reception	Well done to ALL our new children for a super start to Reception!
Year 1	Congratulations to Emily for being polite, helpful and her lovely manners.
Year 2	Daisy has completed all her work with thought and care - well done!
Year 3	Well done Joel for making a fantastic start to the year by working hard in all lessons.
Year 4	Excellent responses from Kaiden and a great choice of vocabulary in English.
Year 5	Alfie has settled so quickly into his new class and has been a great helping hand
Year 6	Albert has shown excellent arithmetic skills

Golden ticket winners: Evey and Eddy (brother and sister, what a co-incidence!)



Welcome back to a new school year

A particular welcome to our new children and their families. All the children look really smart, many in new uniforms. Until the end of September please use your discretion on whether your child wears winter or summer uniform - it can be quite chilly on the playground!

Retirement: while this is the first term for many in school, it will be my last as I will be retiring at the Christmas. More news on this later!

Best wishes: to Mrs Thomas who left us yesterday to begin her maternity leave. Her baby isn't due for a few weeks yet - but who knows!



Welcome to: Mrs Jain who will be responsible for Y1 while Mrs Thomas is on maternity leave. Mrs Lemm who joins us working part-time in the office.

We hope the ladies will be very happy working at St. Chad's and being part of our school community.

Sad news: it is with great sadness that we heard that Mr Hayward, previous headteacher of Bishop Milner Catholic College, died last weekend. Please remember Mr Hayward, his wife and family in your prayers.

Macmillan Coffee Morning: our first event of the year will be held this year on Friday 27th September starting at 9am in the DT room, with the sale in the computer bay. As the last few years have been such a huge success we will once again be holding a "Bring and Buy". We would be grateful for any nearly new gift etc. as well as toys and books, with cakes on the day. The child will all get the opportunity to visit the Bring and Buy and spend their money! To raise extra funds, for a £1 donation the children may wear their own clothes - preferably green.

School Fund: it has been over ten years since we have raised the price of the school fund levy (September 2008), but due to increased costs we will be raising this to £30 for the year, which can be paid at £10 per term. We hope that you will continue to support us as this money is used to subsidise school visits, and all the "extras" that the school budget cannot provide.

School meals: Dudley catering have kept the cost of a school meal to £2.40. You may prefer to pay for your child's meals by cheque made payable to Dudley MBC. If you think you may be entitled to free school meals please ask for a form.



Bishop Milner Open evening: Thursday 19 September 2019 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm

All Year 6 students and their parents are encouraged to attend the college open evening to experience some of the fantastic opportunities to be enjoyed at Bishop Milner Catholic College. To book your place and for further details please use the link below:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/bishop-milner-catholic-college-year-6-open-evening-600-pm-to-800-pm-registration-71503060579?utm_medium=discovery&utm_campaign=social&utm_content=attendeeshare&utm_source=strongmail&utm_term=listing

A few reminders:

- **Belonging:** All your child's belongings - uniform, coats, shoes/pumps and lunchboxes - must be named.
- **Morning snacks:** the school operates a Healthy Schools Policy, so the only snacks brought into school must be fruit, vegetables, or a plain biscuit (Rich Tea).
- **Nut Allergy:** as we have children in school who are allergic to nuts, no nuts or nut product may be brought into school - this includes peanut butter.
- **Water:** all children may bring a bottle of water to drink from during the day. This must only be unflavoured water in a bottle with a sports cap.
- **PE kit:** all children need a PE kit in school; preferably in house colours.

Homework diaries: children from Y3 to Y6 have each been given a special homework diary. This is to record homework etc. Each class will develop the use of these diaries, but please encourage your child to make full use of this diary to aid their independence. Please take care of this diary as it has to last all year and a replacement will cost £2.50!



Swimming: starts for Y3 on Wednesday 11th September.

Parents must collect other children at 3.15pm, but may wait in school, usually in the DT bay.

School Nurse: Gina Appleby, the School Nurse will next be in School from 9.00am on Wednesday 18th September. She offers appointments on a first come, first served basis.

Dates for your diary: you will be receiving a separate list of all the dates which have been arranged for events in the autumn term. You will of course be sent reminders or further information nearer these dates. Please keep this safe, although it will also be available on the school's website.

Menu: Week 2

Have a good week,

Mrs S. M. Mason