



12 September 2025

Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

A very warm welcome back to everyone after the summer break; I hope the children managed to relax and recharge and that you had a lovely time with your family and enjoyed the sunny weather. I'd also like to take this opportunity to welcome our new families who have started with their children in Reception and I'm sure you are as proud as we are of how well they have started at school. The rest of the children have also settled really quickly and I have enjoyed visiting the classrooms this week to see them all getting back into their routines and new learning.

We have been prioritising establishing good routines and ensuring the children know and understand our behaviour expectations. Our assemblies have been focused on Ready, Respectful and Safe and this has been followed up in classes by the staff through teaching from our behaviour curriculum. It has been a very positive start and we will continue to teach these expectations to ensure this is consistent throughout the year.

The children have also started their learning in the core subjects of maths, English, science and computing, as well as getting into their foundation subjects through new topics. Hopefully they will have been telling you about their new learning but if you want more information then the [topic webs](#) are available on the school website.

Our new caterers, The Lunchtime Co, have taken over the lunch service and it has been great to see all the fresh food they are serving for the children on a daily basis. 96% of the lunch is now cooked from fresh produce in school and there has been very positive feedback so far. We will be getting more detailed feedback from the children later in the term once they have had a chance to taste the full menu. Thank you for your patience and cooperation with some of the early teething problems with ordering lunches online and making payments through Parentpay; we are working hard to ensure these are resolved as quickly as possible. A reminder to ensure you have completed the medical/allergen request form ASAP. Further information can be found on the [lunches section](#) of the school website.



The Autumn Term is always very busy and the term dates were circulated earlier this week. These can also be accessed from our [online calendar](#) and can be downloaded to your own personal calendar using the subscription link. It has been great to see so many of you attend the 'Meet the Parent' presentations which we have hosted so far and I'm sure I will see more of you next week. Slides will be circulated after the meetings for anyone who cannot attend.

I am also pleased to share that we were awarded the Gold School Games Mark again for 2024/2025. This award is in recognition of the sporting opportunities that are created at Summercroft through the curriculum, inclusion, physical literacy and culture. Thank you to Mr Eaton for his work as PE subject leader and to the whole team for ensuring PE has a high profile across the school, giving the children lots of opportunities to engage in physical activity.



There will be a full newsletter with information from every year group in a fortnight. Looking forward to an exciting and productive year ahead.

Kind regards,

Stephen Jess
Headteacher