8th September 2023

### Welcome Back

WELCOME back to the new school year. I hope that you enjoyed a good summer break with family and friends. It has been wonderful to welcome the children back this week; looking super smart and ready to learn in their new classes.

In our whole school worship this week we reflected upon who is part of our ACE community and how we can all achieve our best outcomes when we work together as a team and support each other. We have already seen some fantastic examples of children doing this during the week. We are keen to further develop our partnership working with you to support your child's learning and will soon share details of parent workshops that you will be able to attend.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce the members of the Senior Leadership Team of our school. As a team we are working hard to ensure that, in all aspects of school life, we are supporting our children "to become the best that we can be." Please do come and introduce yourself when you see us on the gate or around school.

From left to right: Mrs
Pyke, School Business
Manager. Mrs Witt,
Inclusion Leader. Mrs
Bailey, Headteacher.
Mrs Williams, Assistant
Headteacher and English
leader, Miss Pooley,
Year 6 teacher and
maths leader and Miss
Beacham, Deputy
Headteacher.



Next week we have our 'Meet the Teacher' meetings in school, please see the next page for the dates of these. This is a great opportunity to hear about the learning and exciting activities that we have planned, please do come along!

We have plans for an exciting year ahead and we look forward to sharing the journey with you and your children.

#### **Mrs Bailey**

# Dates for the diary

- 11th September— New Reception children start school
- 11th September— Year 5 Meet the Teacher 2.30pm
- 12th September— Year 4 Meet the Teacher 2.30pm
- 13th September— Year 1 Meet the Teacher 2.30pm
- 14th September— Year 3 Meet the Teacher 2.30pm
- 15th September Year 2 Meet the Teacher 2.30pm
- 19th September— Year 6 Meet the Teacher 2.30pm
- 21st September— Year 2 Trip to Brookland Museum
- 26th September— Nasal Flu Vaccinations—all year groups



# Buildings update

There has been a lot of coverage in the media about the presence of Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete n pubic buildings. We are pleased to be able to reassure you that the school has been fully surveyed which confirmed that we do not have any of Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete planks in the school.

# Meet the Teacher Meetings

NEXT week we will be starting our meet the teacher meetings. We are inviting all parents and carers to come along and meet the year group teachers. This meeting is intended to further assist you in supporting your child's learning and development. Please try to attend if you can.

All meetings will take place in the school hall at 2.30pm

Monday 11th September

Tuesday 12th September

Wednesday 13th September

Thursday 14th September Friday 15th September

Tuesday 19th September

Year 5— Mr Dodman and Mrs Isaacs

Year 4— Mrs Edwards and Mrs Lacey

Year 1— Mrs O'Donnell, Miss Richardson and Mrs O'Brien

Year 3—Miss Corry and Mrs Dearman

Year 2 - Miss Gallant and Miss Hardy

Year 6—Mrs Douglas, Miss Pooley and



### **New Uniform Shop**

WE are pleased to let you know that we now have a new uniform supplier.



From 18th September you will be able to purchase ACE school uniform from :

School Bells
361 Staines Road West
Ashford
TW15 1RP

Phone: <u>01784 557046</u>

www.schoolbellsuniforms.co.uk

#### Can you help?

WE are currently developing our 'calm area' in the playground and are looking for some donations of picnic blankets. If you have one that you no longer use, we would be very grateful if you could donate it to school.

Look out in next weeks ACE's Highlights for some pictures of how this area is being used by the children.



### Penalty Notice for Unauthorised Absence

JUST to remind parents/ carers that if they take their children out of school without authority for 5 or more days (which do not have to consecutive), they will liable to receive a penalty notice. Currently the amount payable under а penalty notice is £60.00 per parent/ carer per child if paid within 21 days. Thereafter amount increases to £120.00 if paid between 21 and 28 days. If the penalty notice remains unpaid after 28 days, Local Authority the consider a prosecution in the Court. Please Magistrates note that penalty notices are issued per parent/carer per child SO a family of parents and two children will receive 4 penalty notices.



