

# Newsletter

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

As we begin our new academic year we would like to welcome our 'families & friends' old and new. This year we have 7 new starters in our Reception year group - Isla J, Connie, Ronnie, Felicity, Cailan, Olivia & Isla B - they all seem to have settled in well and are enjoying the exciting activities in OAK Class. We have also welcomed 5 new starters into Cedar Class - Lydia, Aadil, Jasper, Aleesha and Harvey - they are busy settling into their new surroundings and I know they will all be an asset to our school. We will be holding our **'Start of Term' service on Monday September 11<sup>th</sup> in St. Andrew's Church at 9.15 am** - this is a lovely way to start the term and we hope you will be able to join us. Tea and coffee will be served in the school hall from 8.45 am.

Learning has got off to a flying start - I love visiting the classrooms and the children are settling well into new routines and surroundings. They are all eager to get on with their work.

We have 3 'School Ambassadors' this year - Fran, Erin & Alphe. This is a very important role which involves working with children from other schools in our village cluster on projects and I am sure they will all be excellent leaders for us. We have three 'Dales' teams in school and the children work hard to earn 'dale-dots' - our teams are Nidderdale, Swaledale & Wensleydale. We will be allocating our new starters to teams this week and then they can all start earning 'dale-dots'. Our captains and vice captains are: Swaledale - Fran & Lewis, Wensleydale - Rosa & Phoebe, Nidderdale - Daisy & William A.

Friday will continue to be 'Celebration Assembly' day - our assembly begins at 3pm and parents, family and friends are all welcome to join us. Each Friday we celebrate achievements both in and out of school - we also present teacher and head teacher awards at this assembly (if your child is going to receive one of these awards we will let you know so that you are able to attend). **There will not be a Celebration Assembly this week - Celebration Assemblies will start on Friday September 15<sup>th</sup>.**

Over the summer we have had some building work completed - with renovations to the old school building which is now the home of Palm Class. It really is an amazing space and looks so warm and welcoming - a really supportive learning environment. As part of these changes 'Whizz Kids' have moved to the old 'Palm' classroom.

We have lots of activities planned for the year. We look forward to working with you all and to your continuing support. If you have any worries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact either Mrs Peacock or Mrs Wolfe.

Andrea Peacock - Headteacher