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Headteacher's Newsletter

Welcome back! I hope that you had a good summer. It has been lovely to see everyone the last few days! I have just walked through the school today and I have seen 6 classes of busy, hardworking smiling children.

Staff

It is great to welcome Mrs Jones as my substantive deputy headteacher, I would like to thank Mrs McCarthy who, as our OFSTED report showed, ably supported me to make improvements last year. Mrs McCarthy is a real champion of vulnerable pupils and has this year taken on a new role as inclusion leader taking the additional responsibility of leading pupil premium pupils.

We also welcome Ms Clarke as both Mole class teacher and Early Years leader (having responsibility for leading Nursery and Reception) and Mrs Siebu as Hedgehog class teacher.

OFSTED

It is great to start the new year with some fantastic news. I am sure that many of you will remember that we had our 1 day OFSTED inspection at the end of last year. I am pleased to tell you that Parkgate Infants and Nursery continues to be a good school. It was great to see that the inspector saw the impact of the improvements that have been made in the last year, that we were on an upward trajectory and we were "well placed to make continued and sustained improvement".

I would like to thank the staff for all their hard work last year to make this possible but also thank you, as parents, for all the supportive comments made to the inspector.

As the report indicated we are ambitious for Parkgate Infants and Nursery to continue to develop and I look forward to sharing my plans for doing this in the future.

A copy, if it has not already done so, will be coming home in the next few days and a copy will be placed on our website.

Parking

I would like to ask that parents, whilst dropping off or picking up, are considerate to our neighbours. Do not park over residents drives or over the yellow lines on the corner facing the school.

Parent Consultations

Last year we ask parents, during the Autumn parents consultations if they would like consultations in the day or evening. Parents overwhelmingly asked for consultations to be in the evening so this year all parents consultations are in the evening.

We are however going to no longer have a consultation in the Summer term but will be sending reports home to parents instead. The reports will be sent home before the end of term to give you the chance to ask any questions you may have.

Thank you for your continued support. As always, please contact me if you have any queries or concerns. If you wish to make an appointment, please speak to Mrs. Ryan in the school office who will be able to book a mutually convenient time.

Mr Gwyn Pritchard
Headteacher