



11th September, 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

I would like to start this letter by saying what a pleasure the first three days of term have been. The children were a delight, and we have all settled in wonderfully. Starting school or a new term can be a bit upsetting for some (not just the staff) but our teachers and assistants have been very busy this week making sure everyone knows where they are going, and that everyone is ok.

I haven't had the chance to meet most of you yet, but I am usually on the front gate at the start or end of day, so please say hello. Some of you will know that I was Head here sometime ago when the school first became a part of St. Martin's MAT. The school was in a very different place then and I was proud to be a part of the improvements that we made. So when I had the opportunity to come back to lead the school, it was something I was delighted and excited to do. I always remember that the best part of working at Grove was seeing the children every day, and that has not changed a bit. So it is my pleasure to be able to help your children improve in all areas of their education, and provide a loving and caring environment in which they can flourish and create memories that will last them a lifetime.

Your class teachers will be sending you a curriculum newsletter, detailing some of the learning that will be taking place this term, but I would like to take this opportunity to again remind parents that we rely on your support to make our school a success. You can help your child to succeed by:

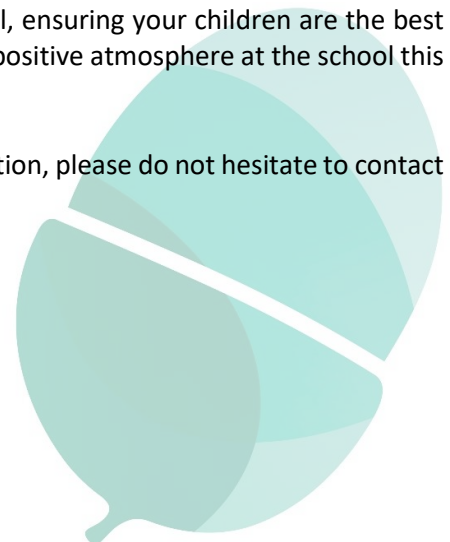
- Ensuring they are here on time, every day
- Ensuring they have the correct uniform and PE kit
- Helping them to learn times tables and number facts
- Listening to them read (and reading to them)
- Asking them about their day and talking to them about what is going on in school

Our continued aim is to provide a happy, stimulating and engaging school, ensuring your children are the best that they can be. It has been a wonderful start to our new year and if the positive atmosphere at the school this morning is anything to go by, it is going to be a fabulous year.

As always, if there is anything you wish to discuss about your child's education, please do not hesitate to contact your class teacher or myself.

Yours sincerely

Mr P Salisbury
Headteacher



Dates for your diary

Tuesday 17 th October	Nasal Flu Vaccinations Reception to Year 6
Monday 30th October to Friday 3rd Nov	Half term (School Closed)
Monday 6 th November	School Open
Wednesday 15 th November	School Photos – Whole School
Monday 25th December to 5th January 2024	Christmas Holidays (School Closed)
Monday 8th January 2024	Inset Day (School closed to pupils)
Tuesday 9 th January 2024	Pupils return to School

