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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school for the new academic year. We hope you had a great summer – many thanks from all the staff for the gifts and good wishes at the end of the last school year – they were much appreciated.

It is great to see the children looking so smart and eager to learn at the start of the school year. Please ensure all uniform and other belongings are clearly named. We have a number of new pupils joining us this term, both in Reception and other year groups, and we welcome them and their families to the school community.

There is a great deal of information in the newsletter this week. Please read carefully and keep for reference. All newsletters can also be found on our website (address above) and if you wish to receive the newsletter by email please let the office know your address.

Birthdays

A reminder that children are able to wear their own clothes to school on their birthday. This enables everyone to quickly identify children on their special day, wish them well and celebrate with them. If a birthday falls at the weekend or during a holiday the children may wear their own clothes on the day of their return to school.

Planners

The children in Beech and Oak class have this week been given their new planner which contains important information, homework details and reading record. Please help your child to ensure that they keep their planner safe and have it in school every day. Replacements will cost £5!!

Music

Recorder lessons for all Year 2 children with Mrs Nelmes will start on Wednesday 12th September. The school has a supply of recorders and books which may be borrowed and returned at the end of the year or, if you wish, your child may bring their own (named) recorder into school. We will be using Recorder Magic Book 1, should anyone wish to obtain their own copy.

Singleton C.E. School needs your help!

It is a well-established fact that regular reading practice is one of the key ways for children to develop comprehension skills and develop a love of books. Here at Singleton C.E. School we are need of volunteers to come into school on a regular basis to hear children read. We are seeking those who can offer an hour or so a week and the willingness to encourage and support children in their reading. No particular qualifications are needed, apart from the requirement to undertake a background check and there is no upper age limit. If you are able to offer your help please contact the school. Thank you!



Nuts!
 A reminder that packed lunches **should not** contain nut based products as these can adversely affect some pupils. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Child Protection
 The school Child protection policy has recently undergone annual review. **It is worth reiterating that the school has a responsibility to contact the local Safeguarding Authority should we have a concern that a child in our care may be subject to neglect. This may be done with or without informing the parent or carer, if it is in the best interests of the child to do so.** There is more information regarding the school approach to safeguarding in our Child Protection policy which is available on the school website or by request to the school office.

Little Canada, Isle of Wight 2019
 A reminder to parents of Year 6 children - the next payment of £50 for the residential visit next summer is **due by 1st October**. Please make payment to the school office. Thank you.

Dates for the term - there will be more details about many of the following in separate letters/future newsletters.

Monday 10th Sept 3pm onwards	<i>Parents Open Classroom – this is an informal chance to meet the teacher and answer any questions or queries you may have during these early days of the school year. There is no need to sign up for these meetings which are intended for parents whose child(ren) has a new teacher/class. There will be an opportunity after half term to come in and have a look at work and discuss progress.</i>
Friday 14 th Sept	Swimming starts for Juniors (Years 3 to 6) – more details to follow
Week of 17 th Sept	After school clubs begin (except Multi-Sports Club) – separate letters sent
Tues 16 th Oct – 9am	Dedication of Prayer Garden with Bishop Mark/Harvest Festival
MONDAY 22nd OCTOBER ~ FRIDAY 26th OCTOBER – HALF TERM	
Tuesday 13 th November	Parents Evening – more details to follow
Wednesday 14 th November	Parents Evening – more details to follow
Wednesday 19 th December	END OF TERM
TERM DATES FOR 2019	
<p><u>Spring term 2019:</u> Thursday 3rd January 2019 to Friday 5th April 2019 INSET DAY: Friday 15th February 2019 Half term break: Monday 18th February 2019 to Friday 22nd February 2019 Easter break: Monday 8th April 2019 to Monday 22nd April 2019</p>	
<p><u>Summer term 2019:</u> Tuesday 23rd April 2019 to Monday 22nd July 2019 INSET DAYS: Monday 3rd June 2019, Monday 22nd July 2019, Tuesday 23rd July 2019 PLEASE NOTE THAT MONDAY 1st JULY 2019 IS <u>NOT</u> NOW AN INSET DAY Half term break: Monday 27th May 2019 to Friday 31st May 2019</p>	

If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to speak to us.

Yours sincerely,

Christopher Todd,
 Headteacher