

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2025.

**Dear Parents and Carers,**

We are absolutely delighted to welcome you and your children back to school! A very special welcome goes to our new little **Hedgehogs** in Reception, who have had a fantastic first week. They've already settled so well into school life and lunchtimes — and we're sure they'll enjoy a gentle start with a three-day week! We can't wait to see all the incredible progress they (and all the children) will make this term.

It has been wonderful to see the children return so enthusiastically – they have enjoyed reconnecting with friends and are beginning to settle beautifully into their new classrooms and routines. **Thank you for your support in helping make the transition back to school so smooth.**

Following feedback from our recent Parent Forum meetings, we understand how busy family life can be. To help keep you well-informed, we will be sending out a **monthly SWAY update** with all the key information for the month ahead. This will also be available on our school website. We will be sending out the first SWAY in a few weeks.

In the meantime, **Class Newsletters** will be sent home this week, giving you a closer look at what your child will be learning this term. Don't forget to check in on **Class Dojo** and our **Instagram page**, where we regularly share updates and celebrate the incredible learning happening each week.

### **Meet the Teacher Sessions and Class Assemblies**

We are pleased to invite you to our upcoming **Meet the Teacher** sessions – a great opportunity to meet your child's class teacher and visit their classroom. These informal sessions are a chance to find out more about the year ahead and how we can work together to support your child's learning.

**Please make your way directly to your child's classroom for any upcoming parent events.**

We are also mindful that parents like to know the dates for **Class Assemblies** in advance. These special events offer a lovely opportunity for the children to share their learning and achievements with you. The dates for both events are listed below:

<b>Year Group / Class</b>	<b>Meet the Teacher</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Class Assembly Date</b>
Reception	Wed 17th Sept	2:30 p.m.	12 <sup>th</sup> May- 2:30pm
Year 1	Tues 16th Sept	2:45 p.m.	21 <sup>st</sup> May- 2:30pm
Year 2	Mon 15th Sept	2:45 p.m.	19 <sup>th</sup> May- 2:30pm
Year 3	Thurs 18th Sept	3:00 p.m.	14 <sup>th</sup> May- 2:45pm
Year 4A	Mon 22nd Sept	3:00 p.m.	26 <sup>th</sup> March- 2:45pm
Year 4B	Mon 22nd Sept	3:00 p.m.	24 <sup>th</sup> March- 2:45pm
Year 5AH	Fri 12th Sept	3:00 p.m.	17 <sup>th</sup> March-2:45pm
Year 5H	Fri 12th Sept	3:00 p.m.	19 <sup>th</sup> March-2:45pm

**Year Group / Class Meet the Teacher Time Class Assembly Date**

Year 6 (6L & 6C) Tues 23rd Sept 3:00 p.m. 3rd February (joint)-2:45pm

We very much look forward to seeing you there.

We are looking forward to a fantastic year ahead and thank you for your continued support in helping us make the start of term such a positive experience for the children.

Best wishes to all our Otford families,

Mrs H Roberts