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Dear Parents,

I hope you have had a good summer break and a warm welcome back to you all, especially to new families in reception and other classes. All the children have made an excellent start to the school year and have settled down exceptionally well, so many thanks to you all for the back to school preparations.

Meet the Teacher

Details are attached for the 'Meet the Teacher' evening next Wednesday 14th September.

School Photographs

There will be school photographs taken on Tuesday 27th September; please see attached letter for details.

Morning Coffee

The governors hold a Monday morning coffee morning in the studio from 9am. It's a great way to start the week and you are all very welcome to attend with your pre-school children.

Safeguarding:

Emergency Contact Details

If there have been any changes in address or other information that we need to know about, please complete a new contact and/or medical card. It is most important that these are accurate and up to date, in case we need to contact you about your child in an emergency. These can be obtained from the office.

At the start of each school year, teachers work with their classes on developing their 'class rules', which include codes of conduct and awareness of personal safety in the school and school grounds. It is essential that you have similar discussions at home with your child.

Dinner Money

Dinner money needs to be paid to the school office on Monday mornings. Costs are £2.05 per meal or £10.25 per week and cheques should be made payable to D.C.C.

Swimming

We will be carrying on with swimming for as long as possible to make the most of any late summer sunshine.

Clubs

After school clubs will begin the week starting Monday 19th September. A full list will be published next week, with opportunities to sign up for a range of activities.

Sparks Kids' Club

Spark Kids' Club begins on Friday 16th September, from 6.30pm to 8pm. The club is for pupils in school years 3, 4, 5 & 6 and consists of games, challenges, tuck shop and much more. Subs are £1, with a maximum of 50p for tuck. For further information please contact Nick and Trudi Massey, Youth Workers at St. Andrew's Church, telephone number 852328. Future Spark dates are: 30/9; 21/10; 11/11; 25/11 and 9/12.

School Uniform recycling ~ a message from Tracy Brown

Please pass in your clean second hand uniform, as there will be a sale this Friday and next Monday.

Fantastic Fun Club

The club ran a very successful holiday club during the summer break and I would like to thank Bonnie and the other helpers for all their hard work. Please contact the school if you wish your children to have before or after school care.

New start!

To enable a prompt start to the morning sessions, we will be making a change to the way children come into school in the morning. The school will be open from **8.50 am**, so children can come into their classrooms from then, so there is no need for them to line up in the playground. **This will begin next Monday 12th September**. At 9am, external doors will be locked to ensure school security and latecomers will have to enter through the school front door. The bell will go at 9am as usual when the registers are taken, which is the same routine when it is raining. Please be aware that if children are in the school grounds before 8.50am, they are parents' responsibility. If you would like your child to be at school before this time, the Fantastic Fun Club is available for child care.

New loos!

As well as a fresh start, we have new loos in KS2 and they're great! Thank you to pupils and parents who helped choose the colours and to the PTA for their support too. We have had some other work done in the school over the summer, so I'd like to thank all members of the school team who have worked so hard to make the school ready for this term.

Newsletters

This is sent to you as a paper copy for the first edition of the school year. After this, newsletters will be in electronic format only and will be available on the school website, www.standrewscofe.co.uk. This proved very successful last term and is a good way for us to be a more sustainable school. You can expect newsletters every second Tuesday, starting from this week unless there is additional information that needs to be sent out. If you need a paper copy, they are available from the school office.

We can also send out electronic newsletters and I would encourage this method of communication. You can sign up at newsletter@standrewscofe.co.uk.

I look forward to catching up with you all in the playgrounds and do pop in to see me for a chat or by phone or email if you have any concerns.

With best wishes,



Sarah Pendle

Fantastic Fun Club (FFC)

**Vacancies for before and after school care
and summer holiday club - enquire at school
01822 853153**

admin@standrewscofe.co.uk

Vouchers can be used

PTA NEWS UPDATE

Panto tickets: Cinderella

on 3rd Jan 2012 @ 2.30pm

Tickets are £10.50 for all seats

call Denise Willson on 859430 to reserve tickets