



# Bishop William Ward C of E (VA) Primary School

*Happy, respectful, life-long learners*

Headteacher: Mr Toby Bull

20<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well here we are, full time at last and the children happy and settled into their new environment.

We are busy completing baseline assessments and will soon be learning many new things. For your information we will be having P.E. on Tuesdays and Fridays this half term. P.E. kits stay in school and earrings are not permitted during P.E. lessons.

We have a 'Show and Tell' session on Wednesday afternoons where your child can bring in a small item from home to talk about. This is a great time to encourage the children's communication skills.

Tapestry is up and running and you should have all received notification to verify your account. If you have not received an email or missed the time scale please come and see one of us and we will reactivate your account or check your email address. We really enjoy receiving photos from home and seeing the great adventures you get up to. We often share these on the whiteboard as the children really enjoy these experiences. There is a Tapestry app for phones that you might like to download.

I will be offering short (5 minute) meetings to discuss how your child has settled in. There will be a sign-up sheet by the door for you to make an appointment if you wish.

On the week of 25<sup>th</sup> September I will be starting Forest School sessions, where your child will be outside in the Forest School area for the afternoon. They are provided with waterproof suits, but will need warm jogging trousers and a sweatshirt/jumper and wellies. Please ensure wellies are on the welly rack before this point as it is not suitable to go to the area without them.

Over the next two weeks, your child will be getting letter and number flash cards in their book bags. Please practise these as often as possible and return them to the book bag every day as we also work on them in school.

If you would like to volunteer to help in the class please come and see one of the team to arrange a suitable time.

Many thanks for the continued support - we have really valued your patience in the transition to the full timetable.

Kind regards

The Foundation Team

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