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**Dear parents and carers,**



It is with genuine pleasure that we welcome every child and family back to St Leonard’s for the start of a new accademic term. I am especially delighted to welcome all of our new families who have children starting in Reception class or other classes across the school – it continues to be a pleasure to watch the St Leonard’s family grow and grow!

**Communication**

There will be a great deal of information coming your way this week as the children settle in and every class teacher will be sharing basic details of the new routines and expectations with both children and parents in the coming days. As a reminder to our existing familes, school will no longer be using ClassDojo to send messages, instead all information will be shared via Arbor, Facebook and the school website. If you do not have your login for Arbor, please contact Mrs Hazard in the school office. If you want to send a message to your child’s teacher, please email school via the parent email address (see above). Dates for the term will be shared next week.

**Reminders**

We are very proud of all of the changes that have happened at St Leonard’s to make it the great school it is today. To continue these improvements, please remember the following:

* **Uniform –** School uniform (includng PE) should be in line with the uniform policy at all times; including plain black shoes/trainers, no lines or extreme hair cuts, no jewellry and no labels or logos other than that for the school.
* **Attendance –** all children at expected to attend school every day and no holidays during term time should be taken as they will not be agreed. There have been new regulations introduced in August 2024 about how non-attendance will be challenged and/or fined. Please look at the Attendance Policy on our webite for more details. Non-attendance will always be followed up!
* **PE kit –** please send your child’s PE kit into school as soon as possible (proper coaching begins next week) and leave it in school every day. It is recommended that the kit is left in school for the whole half term for Year 1, 2 & 3 or for a full week in Years 4, 5 & 6. Reception class children will come to school in their PE kit on their allocated day.

Thank you, as always, for your support. I know that this is going to be a great year for us all as we continue to work closely together!

***Dionne Dunn***

***Headteacher***

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