

Dear Families,

Unbelievably we are already into month 2 of the school year!

After school clubs for Year 1 and Year 2 begin after half term. Payment is required in advance to secure your child's place. Rachel will be in the hall before school Monday/ Wednesday and Friday next week.

In this parentmail I include a newsletter from the Governing Board.

### Online safety and safeguarding

One of the ways we keep children safe at our school is through having a very secure internet service that filters the content that children can access.

We know that children enjoy using the internet and playing games at home. However it is my duty as the lead for safeguarding to remind you that there are age restrictions on many familiar and popular games. Games such as Fortnite actually have an age 12 rating. Your older children may play them and allow their younger brothers and sisters to play too... one of our 3 year old Nursery children has described shooting on Fortnite. Please be aware of what your children are doing on tablets etc. Age restrictions are in place for a good reason. if you look at the games you may be shocked at how graphic and violent they are.

Can I also remind you that your children often know far more than you. Please protect your own and older family members' devices with passwords (that your children don't know!) or clear your history so they cannot "accidentally" watch horror films or other material you wouldn't choose for them to see.

### PTA EVENTS

The Quiz Night last night was a great evening and was very well attended.

Thank you to everyone who organised, helped and turned up to join in the fun. I am very happy to say the Staff team were not last this year! We did better on the raffle than in the quiz but we all went home happy!

### Community News

Noeleen is having a charity clothes sale on Friday 11th Oct. 9.30-12 at 39 Capel Rd. Everyone welcome

Parents' Evening is approaching. Please make an appointment with your child's teacher. If you are unable to attend on either of the evenings Teachers may be able to accommodate alternative times and days, but not late evening appointments.

### Wet weather

As we are using the outdoor area a lot it would be useful if the children could bring wellies to school. If they wear them on the way to school please bring in a change as feet get very hot in them all day.

If you have any spare boots your child has grown out of we would love to have them.

The hens have begun laying... once we get into full production we may start to sell them! We would like to create a proper chicken run- if you may be able to help please speak to Jo in EYFS

Have a lovely weekend

Sarah & Staff

