

Dear Parents and Carers,

We're definitely back in full swing and even though the sun isn't always shining we're still getting the children outside as much as possible. Please remember to send children into school with layers and jackets now the weather is less predictable. Today we held our first home sports fixture in over 3 years. It was wonderful to welcome Loddington Primary for a football match. It was a tense game but it was wonderful to welcome people into school to witness the thrilling 2-2 draw. It was especially special that all the children got to come and spectate for 20 minutes during their afternoon break; a real community spirit. Keep your eye out on lots more events and fixtures throughout the term.

### **Nursery News**

This week, Sunnylands Nursery children have been looking at the story of the Three Little Pigs. We've painted some large cardboard boxes to make the houses of straw, sticks and bricks, then we used them to role play the traditional tale. Being the Big Bad Wolf and playing 'Whats the Time Mr Wolf' have been very popular outside activities. Large letter 'P's' have been painted and Treasure Boxes filled with pink items, well done everyone! This morning we used bagels, strawberries, raisins and bananas to create a snack of piggy faces, which were eaten with relish. Please dress your child in their Sunnylands tops for the individual photographs on Tuesday. Also, as the weather gets cooler, remember that we go outside whatever the weather, so the children need appropriate named outdoor clothes each day.

### **Individual and Class Photos - TUESDAY 27th September**

Photographs are on Tuesday next week. Please make sure your child comes into school in full winter uniform. Everyone will also need their full PE and Sports kits to get changed into, including short white socks and long blue socks if they wear them. We'll be getting the children changed for PE, Games and team photos throughout the day. If you have any questions about this, please get in touch with the School Office on Monday.

### **School Council**

School Council elections are on Thursday next week. The children have prepared manifestos, run impressive campaigns and now they will learn about democracy and the importance of voting in a fair election. House coloured food at lunch times was an interesting manifesto promise. The School Hall will be turned into a polling station where children will put an 'X' in a box. Experiences like this help children understand the world around them and empower them to have ownership over their decisions. Although some children will be disappointed not to be elected, we'll reassure them that there's always an opportunity next year and help manage their feelings.

### **PTA Update**

The PTA Committee met this week and the wheels are in motion for a busy term:

- Monday 10th October, 5.45pm to 7pm - Lower School Harvest Supper, £5 each
- Friday 21st October, 5.45pm-7.15pm - Whole School Halloween Disco, £5 each (parent social at same time)
- Friday 18th November, 6pm-8pm - Family Quiz, £5 per team (real world only this year)
- Thursday 1st December - Parents Christmas Wrapping and Pizza Party in the Hub
- Saturday 3rd December - Christmas Fayre 2022
- Friday 9th December - Santa's Grotto and Gift, £5 each

You will also be receiving some Christmas card designs by your child which you can order.

### **National Finalists**

I'm immensely proud of our community and I'm pleased to announce that we are national finalists at the ISA awards this year. Out of hundreds of schools, we've been nominated as one of the best for 'Engagement in Community'. Keep your fingers crossed for the awards ceremony in November!  
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Have a lovely weekend.

Regards,

**Mr Thomas**

*Headteacher*