



Wednesday, 26th November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Primary Coffee Morning Follow-Up and Key Updates

Thank you to everyone who attended our recent Primary Coffee Morning. It was a genuinely constructive and positive discussion, and I am grateful for the thoughtful ideas shared. As always, your insights help us refine what we already do well and continue strengthening our provision for every child. I am pleased to share some updates on a number of points raised.

Communication and Spelling Lists

Parents shared helpful reflections about how we can make Class Dojo communication even more streamlined and consistent across the Primary phase, along with a suggestion that spelling lists would benefit from a more uniform weekly approach. To build on our strong home-school communication, Phase Leaders will now be overseeing Class Dojo for all year groups, ensuring that information is clear, timely, and aligned. Weekly spelling lists are also now being issued across all year groups, which will support continuity and routine for both pupils and families.

Outdoor Spaces and Playtime Engagement

We discussed ways of making our playtimes more purposeful and engaging, and there were suggestions about ways we could enhance the Lower Primary area—particularly with additional seating and more engaging play options. We have already begun putting these improvements in place, including the introduction of benches as a quick, practical upgrade. Alongside this, we are expanding our playtime equipment to offer a wider range of purposeful, engaging activities that support active play and positive social interaction.

Year Group Consistency

Many parents commented positively on the rich experiences provided in EYFS and asked whether similar opportunities could be extended more visibly into Year 1 and Year 2. We completely agree, and are pleased to share that several EYFS-style events and experiences will now carry through into KS1. Before the end of this half term, every year group will send out a curriculum overview which will show the upcoming learning as well as the key dates specific for each year group. This will show the various dress-up days, visits and any other 'off-timetable' events.

Reading for Pleasure

We are seeing fantastic progress in reading across the school, and it is clear that our pupils are developing greater confidence and enjoyment in their reading lessons. Parents also shared how important it is to continue nurturing this love of reading at home, so we will be encouraging fun, meaningful reading opportunities that strengthen the partnership between home and school. Ms Laura is already developing an exciting Primary-wide reading competition, alongside smaller in-class



challenges to keep children motivated and inspired. These will celebrate effort, progress, and a genuine love of books across all year groups. Full details of the competitions will be shared with families before the end of this half term, and we look forward to seeing our pupils engage with reading in even more joyful and meaningful ways.

In addition to this, we will be sharing a new online e-book reading resource in the coming weeks ahead. This will enable all our children to have access to a huge range of levelled reading books which can be read at home.

Thank you again for your partnership, support, and constructive feedback. Our school community is strongest when we work together, and we look forward to continuing these conversations throughout the year.

William Winton

Head of Primary