



18th October 2022

Dear families,

I am writing to you at the end of a lengthy half term as we come close to a two-week holiday. I would like to thank you all for your support this half term. Almost all of our students complete homework, read to adults at home and come to school regularly. Children who do those things are the most successful in life in general, as they have school and home working together to ensure they achieve their best potential.

Just a reminder that we finish on Friday 21st October at 3.15pm and return to school on Monday 7th November at 8.25am. Gates are locked at 8.40am.

Please remind your child to continue using Reading Plus, Time Table Rock Stars etc. over the holidays and to read as often as they can. There are some lovely holiday activities available at libraries and the Science museum over the break and these are often free.

Don't forget to keep an eye on all school activities by going to the school website at www.dixonsmb.com and then clicking on the Twitter link in the top right-hand corner. We put regular updates on there, showing all the lovely things we do in school.

I know that many of you are concerned about rising costs in fuel, utilities and food. If you would like to check whether your family is eligible for free school meals please contact Mrs. Sameera Khan, our Parent Involvement Officer, and she will be able to help. All children in years Reception to Year 2 are entitled to a free school meal and we have a choice of 4 options every day.

Finally, you have received a letter home regarding the MCAS app which we will soon be using to send letters and other communications home via email. Please look out for the activation link later this week. After half-term, we will be moving away from paper first aid letters and will inform you of any incidents via email. It is particularly important therefore that we have at least one email address per family. Please call the school office before half-term if you still need to provide an email address.

I wish you and your families a peaceful and relaxing holiday and look forward to seeing you all on November 7th.

Mrs Helen Haunch Principal