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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 2! I hope you had an enjoyable break with your children and that they are well rested and refreshed for this term! I hope that you are all able to see what we have been doing from the posts on Class Dojo. At the end of this letter, you will find a visual representation of our school vision and values and our class mission statement and “Rainbow Rules”. We will be using these at school, so please talk with your children at home about these too.

**Theme:**

Our theme for Term 2 is “Celebrations” and will include “mini” themes such as Road Safety, Oral Health and Healthy Eating.

**Dates:**

Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Headington Quarry PTA Meeting – all welcome – times tbc
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Children in Need Fundraising Day.
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov	SASA Disco at St Andrew’s (Look out for the poster!)
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	INSET Day – School closed.
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	SASA Winter Festival (Similar to a fayre!)
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Headington Quarry PTA Event “Quarry Light Trail & Mini Market.
Tue 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Reception & KS1 Theatre Trip to Pegasus Theatre
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	End of Term – Rainbow Group finish at 1pm.

More details to follow on all these events, and our Christmas celebrations and PTA fundraising events for both schools.

**Books:**

We will continue to help children choose a book to share with you at home. In addition, over the next few weeks, we will be sending home “phonic-based reading activities, such as “Ditty Sheets” or sound blending books which will be closely matched to your child’s current stage in learning phonics. More details to follow on this. Please see Class Dojo for the sounds we are learning or reviewing each week. It is also perfectly acceptable to share/read a book from home in between changing books at school! Don’t forget that you can borrow books from Bury Knowle library and from the Lending Library near the Rainbow gate. Please record your comments in your child’s yellow reading record book. Thank you!

**Autumn Weather:**

Please ensure children have suitable clothing in school for the weather, especially a warm, waterproof coat! Wellies can be left at school in the cubby hole under your child’s peg. We do

have some spares for children to borrow. If your child wears wellies to school please remember to bring other shoes to change into and wear indoors, especially on very wet or snowy days! As the weather gets colder it can sometimes be very cold in the classroom, so it's a good idea for your child to wear lots of layers, e.g. vest, long sleeved top, thin cardigan or jumper and a hoody/thick jumper. You may have noticed that the Rainbow staff are layered up too!

**All items of clothing must be clearly named – Thank you.**

**Donations:**

Thank you for your donations of tissues and wet wipes last term. The children loved the contributions for snack time too. Please keep the donations coming! If you are able to send any of the following occasionally these will be gratefully received: rice cakes, breadsticks, crackers, cucumber, Cheerios or similar and occasionally ...cheddar cheese!

**Reminders:**

Parking	Toys	Spare Clothes
<i>Please park safely and with consideration for our neighbours. Please look out on Class Dojo for reminders.</i>	<i>Toys should not be brought into school. Children can be very upset if toys from home get lost or damaged.</i>	<i>Please remember to send in replacement clothes for your child's clothes bag if they have been used.</i>
Absence	Day Care Sessions	Unwell children?
<i>If your child is not attending school for any reason, please phone St Andrew's office in the morning and they will update the online register.</i>  <i>01865 762396</i>	<i>If your child is not attending day care session that has been previously booked ( e.g. if your child is ill) please let Kelly or Linda know directly via HQFSS office.</i>	<i>If your child has been sick or had diarrhoea, please keep them away from school until they have been <u>free from symptoms for 48 hours</u>. (EYFS Guidelines)</i>

Thank you for your co-operation in all of these matters.

**And Finally...**

We look forward to the rest the term, and especially our Christmas celebrations. As always, do please talk to us if you have any concerns.

Yours sincerely,

Annie Arnold – Reception Class Teacher



# Rainbow Group Mission Statement



We like playing outside, talking, and singing. We are kind to everyone and look after everything in our school. We are learning while we are playing, talking, and singing!

**St Andrew's Church of England Primary School Headington**

**WE ARE**

WELCOME INCLUSIVE DIVERSE INVOLVING CURIOUS

CREATIVE SOCIABLE SAFE SUCCESSFUL

**OUR COMMUNITY**

AS A CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL WE AIM TO FOSTER THE SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT AS WELL AS THE INTELLECTUAL AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF PUPILS EQUALLY...

SCHOOLS ABROAD & VIRTUAL

OUR SHOPS & CAFES

MUSEUMS ST ANDREWS

**EVERYONE IS DIFFERENT.**

**PUPILS**  
CONFIDENT CARING VALUED & UNDERSTOOD WELL ROUNDED INDIVIDUALS PREPARED FOR THE WORLD...

**STAFF**  
BUSY ROLE MODELS ADAPTIVE OBSERVANT POSITIVE WITH EMPATHY

**PARENTS**  
COMMITTED SUPPORTIVE ENGAGED UNDERSTAND THE SCHOOL

GOVERNORS VISITORS

**OUR PARK**  
FERRY POOL

**STAYING TRUE TO OUR VALUES**

**EVERYONE IS SPECIAL**

☆ FRIENDSHIP  
☆ TRUST  
☆ FORGIVENESS  
☆ HOPE  
☆ JUSTICE

FUN CREATIVITY MUSIC WELCOMING HEALTHY SCHOOL DINNERS

CLUBS & SOCIETIES DANCE! SPORT LIKED BY CHILDREN & FAMILIES THE CHURCH CONNECTION

OXFORDSHIRE ART WEEKS

BIKE SAFETY SCHOOL TRIPS LEARNING

**AIMS**

PROVIDE A STIMULATING AND CHALLENGING LEARNING ENVIRONMENT WITHIN WHICH A BROAD AND BALANCED CURRICULUM CAN BE EFFECTIVELY DELIVERED ENCOURAGE POSITIVE ATTITUDES TO LEARNING SO THAT EACH CHILD MAY BE HELPED TO REALISE HIS OR HER POTENTIAL NURTURE RESPECT FOR ALL THOSE INVOLVED IN THE LIFE OF THE SCHOOL LOOK AFTER EVERYTHING AROUND US EXTEND SOCIAL AND CULTURAL AWARENESS WITHIN THE SCHOOL OF LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITIES, WITH A COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL



## Rainbow Rules



*We will*

- *Look after everything in our school.*
- *Be kind and help other people.*
- *Listen to people when they talk to us.*
- *Take turns with other people.*