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Dear Parents,

Welcome back everyone! The holiday seems to have gone very quickly but it is good to have all the children back and to hear of all the exciting things they got up to during the summer break. They certainly seem refreshed and enthusiastic to be back!

It has been lovely to welcome all of new Acorn Class pupils and their families into school. I have been very impressed with the excellent start our Acorns have made, I am always surprised at how quickly the children settle in. A big thank you to our Year 6 Buddies who have been doing a brilliant job.

There is a busy year ahead so please hang on to the diary dates below!

School Lunches

All of Acorn Class, Beech Class and the Year 2 pupils in Lime are entitled to a free lunch. We will assume that your child will be having a school lunch each day unless you let us know otherwise. Although we would encourage all parents to take up this offer it will be possible to mix and match with a packed lunch on some days and a school lunch on others, depending on the menu and your child's preferences. The teachers will take a register each day to check who has brought a packed lunch.

Pupils in Years 3-6 will need to continue to bring in an envelope with their lunch money and give this to their class teacher **every Monday morning** (there is no need to bring lunch money to the school office).

The menu is on our website: <http://www.horspath.oxon.sch.uk/parents/lunch-menu/>,

Swimming

There won't be any swimming lessons this term. Years 3 and 4 will swim in the Spring Term and Years 5 and 6 will swim in the Summer Term.

The morning rush!

Mornings are a busy time in the classrooms and in the cloakrooms so we do expect pupils in Lime, Oak and Willow to say goodbye to their mums and dads in the playground and to sort out their own belongings. However this doesn't mean that you aren't welcome to come into the classroom for a quick word with the class teacher or teaching assistant if you need to.

You are also welcome to put a note in your child's reading diary, phone the school or email the school office to contact your child's teacher.

Diary Dates

Friday 5 th September	<i>No Family Assembly</i>
Friday 11 th September	<i>No Family Assembly</i>
Wednesday 16 th September	Piano lessons restart
Friday 18 th September	Family Assembly 2.45pm
Friday 25 th September	Family Assembly 2.45pm
Tuesday 29 th September	Parents Evening (4pm – 7pm)
Friday 2 nd October	Family Assembly 2.45pm
Friday 9 th October	Harvest Festival Assembly 2.30pm
Friday 16 th October	Family Assembly 2.45pm
Friday 23 rd October	School Closed INSET staff training

Half Term

26th – 30th October

Early Warning

Individual School Photos	Friday 5 th November
Friendship Week	16 th – 20 th November
Curriculum Display	Friday 4 th December
Acorn Class Nativity dress rehearsal	Monday 7 th December pm
Acorn Class Nativity	Tuesday 8 th December am
School Play dress rehearsal	Wednesday 9 th December am
School Play	Wednesday 9 th December 5.30pm
School Play	Thursday 10 th December 5.30pm
Pantomime (in school)	Thursday 17 th December
School Closes	Friday 18 th December
INSET	Monday 4th January
School reopens	Tuesday 5 th January 2015
Half Term	15 th Feb – 19 th Feb
Easter Holidays	25 th March – 8 th April
INSET	Monday 11th April
School Reopens	Tuesday 12 th April
Half Term	30 th May – 3 rd June
School Closes	Wednesday 20 th July

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Emma Coleman
Headteacher