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Dear Parents,

It has been a wet couple of weeks, but the children have not seemed to have noticed and have been full steam ahead with their learning!

You may have seen [my letter about the Amenities fund](#) earlier this week. A huge thank you for any contributions to that fund as it has supported the school in many ways. For example, our new sets of iPads and 'flight' cases have really helped the children in their learning.

We are quickly racing towards half-term, so please see the information in this newsletter on things that are happening for the rest of the term.



HELPING HANDS DAY - SATURDAY 19th OCTOBER: 11.00am – 3.00pm



We are having a **Helping Hands Day** on **Saturday 19th October** from **11.00am to 3.00pm**. We are very proud of our magnificent grounds and play areas, but sometimes we need a bit of help to keep them looking trim and refreshed! You are invited to pop along for an hour (or the whole time if you wish) to help us [freshen some areas up and help with jobs such as gardening, painting and mending!](#)

Tea and biscuits will be on offer as well as gratitude for your help!

HARVEST DONATIONS

Mrs. Burnett led a lovely **Harvest assembly** this week, and once again, we were amazed by your incredible generosity. All the food donations have been given to the **Wimbledon Food Bank**, who collected them in a large van!



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In addition, the **WCPS Foodbank**, established by our **Rights Respecting Ambassadors**, continues to thrive thanks to your ongoing support. We are grateful for your contributions to this fantastic project. Thank you!

IESP & PARENT CONSULTATION MEETINGS

Meetings for parents of children with **Individual Educational Support Plans** [IESPs] will be held on **Wednesday 16th October**.

Parent Consultation Meetings will be on **Wednesday 23rd & Thursday 24th October**.

We will contact you with information about the evenings nearer the time.



PARENT REPS, FRIENDS & CLASSLIST



It was lovely to see so many parents at the **Parent Rep** welcome meeting recently. Our Parent Reps are a vital part of our school community and form an important channel of communication for parents and the school. Thank you to all who have volunteered to be a Parent Rep.

The **Friends** (PTA) have their AGM next Thursday 10th October at 7.30pm - please do come along if you are interested in supporting the Friends to hear all about the work of the Friends and the planned activities for the year.

Classlist

We are excited to announce the introduction of a new communication platform, **Classlist**, which has first been successfully trialled in Reception and Year 1, and has now been rolled out across all year groups with a great response from those who have already signed up.



Why Classlist?

Classlist is designed to streamline parent-to-parent communication, helping our school community stay organised and connected. It provides a centralised platform where parents can:

- Connect with other parents in their child's class.
- Organise and RSVP to events such as school functions or birthday parties.
- Communicate directly through messaging.
- Volunteer for school events.
- Access digital tickets for events.

Classlist has **been set up by the "Friends" of the school** and is fully managed by them. It operates under its own code of conduct to ensure respectful and productive use.

How We Will Use Classlist

- **Class Reps** will use it to remind parents about important school events and activities.
- **Friends** will use it to coordinate events and ticket sales for fundraising activities.
- **School WhatsApp Groups** will remain available for informal social chats, while official communications will be handled through **Classlist**.
- Please note that **school communication** (e.g., updates from teachers or administration) will still be done via the **Weduc Parent app**.

Personal Data & Privacy

Classlist is fully GDPR compliant. The level of personal detail you choose to share in **Classlist** is entirely up to you. For example, sharing your address is optional. You have full control over what information you enter and share with others. For more details, please refer to **Classlist's** website.

Joining Classlist

We aim to have the whole school on board by the **October half-term**.

If you haven't had a chance yet, please follow the link below to download the app and register: [here](#).

The **Friends** have also put together a set of **resources** which have been shared with all class reps to answer most questions that have come up during the rollout. This includes a **Q&A document** and a link to **an introductory video** on how to use **Classlist**. Please speak to your class rep if you haven't seen these.

We hope this platform enhances communication across the school and makes it easier for everyone to stay connected. Thank you for your support, and the Friends look forward to seeing you on **Classlist**!

OCTOBER HALF-TERM HOLIDAY CAMP - BMM



BMM Sports will be running a half-term holiday camp from **28th October – 1st November**.

[Booking details can be found following this link.](#)

EVENTS

Our latest dates for the term can be [found on our website](#) (as well as in the Calendar on the Parent App) and here are some reminders below.

Forthcoming events include:

- **Individual Photographs - Thursday 17th and Friday 18th October.** All children should come to school on these days **wearing their school uniform**. Children will change into their PE kit at school on these days.
- **Parent Workshops**
 - Monday 7th October:** Parenting a Primary Age Child with Autism: Workshop for parents 6.00pm – 7.30pm ([see flyer](#))
 - Monday 14th October:** Toilet Time: Supporting Your Child with Toilet Training: Workshop for parents 7.00pm – 8.00pm ([see flyer](#))
 - Wednesday 16th October:** Toilet Time: Supporting Your Child with Toilet Training: Workshop for parents 12.00pm – 1.00pm ([see flyer](#))
 - Tuesday 12th November:** Helping Children with Big Emotions - 7.30pm (Dr Kelly Lewis-Cole: online)
 - Wednesday 13th November at 2.30pm and Thursday 14th November at 9.00am:** Developing the Life-Long Reader (Reception Parent Workshop - Phonics and Comprehension)
 - Wednesday 13th November:** Phonics and Early Reading Workshop (Years 1, 2 and ARP Parents) 9.00am
 - Thursday 14th November:** Zones of Regulation Workshop for parents (supporting your child's self-regulation and emotional control) 1.30pm (Dr Kelly Lewis-Cole: online)
 - Thursday 14th November:** Understanding Your Child's Emotions: Workshop for Nursery parents
- **Christmas Productions**
 - Phase 1:** Tuesday 3rd December at 9.20am, Wednesday 4th December at 2.00pm and Thursday 5th December at 9.20am.
 - Phase 2:** Tuesday 3rd December at 2.00pm, Wednesday 4th December at 9.20am and Friday 6th December at 9.20am.
 - Phase 3:** Wednesday 11th December at 6.00pm, Thursday 12th December at 6.00pm and Friday 13th December at 9.20am.
- **Other Events**
 - Thursday 14th November: **Share My Learning Evening** 3.45pm – 7.00pm
 - Friday 15th November **Non-uniform day for Children in Need**

We will send out information on how to sign up for these events on the Parent App.

FINALLY



Thank you to all for your help and generosity with the **Macmillan cake sale**. Mrs Mayhew, who organised the event has told us that the grand total was **£750**.

A parent sent us a photograph this week of some **squirrels** who share the WCPS environment. These were not your ordinary squirrels though as they were **white!** The children enjoyed finding out about our new member of the school community!

Have a good weekend!



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Mr. K. Ellis
Headteacher

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

A Rights are for ALL children. UNIVERSAL	B Rights are there at BIRTH. INHERENT	C Rights CANNOT be taken away. INALIENABLE	D Rights DO NOT have to be earnt. UNCONDITIONAL	E All rights are EQUALLY important. INDIVISIBLE
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