



Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

Welcome back to our first term of the year! The children and staff have had a productive week-and-a-bit and we are all excited about the year ahead! Because we believe in starting as we mean to go on, this first newsletter does contain some reminders so that we can all help the school to run smoothly from start to finish.

### School Uniform

A **huge** thank you for sending your children to school looking so smart. We talk to the children regularly about how looking smart links to thinking smart and achievement and it is part of our Forever Proud message: taking pride in ourselves. Please check our website if you would like clarification on our uniform expectations.

### Allergies

Some of our children have very severe allergies that can be life threatening. For that reason we continue to insist that we are a nut free school. This means not only no whole nuts but no nut related products or products containing nuts must be brought into school. Please help us to safeguard our children and adhere to this policy. If your child has an allergy that the school are not aware of, please inform the school office. Thank you.

### Parking and Cars

As you know, at The Mill, we have an unusual site with two gates and a challenging location in terms of the busy road at the front! Thank you all for cooperating with Hugo at the back school entrance as he works to keep it safe for the children and thank you for your consideration towards all of our neighbours and each other.

### Term Dates

Thank you for the positive feedback about our new handy Mill fridge magnets with all of our term dates on them! If for any reason your child didn't bring one home, please ask at the school office.

### Attendance Award Winner

Congratulations to Jack Roe, who won a bike and crash helmet for 100% attendance for the whole school year. All of the pupils who achieved 100% for the year were put into a draw and Jack was the lucky winner! Thank you and well done to all of our children who achieve high attendance. Our target is 97% and above-but there is something exceptional about achieving the magic 100!

Going forward, we will have a 100% attendance prize at the end of Autumn Term, one for Spring Term, then the grand draw for the Summer Term for pupils that have 100% attendance for the whole year. The Autumn Term prize will be to be the Headteacher for the day! I can't wait to see who will give me a day off! ☺

Kind Regards



Sophie Gosden  
Headteacher



*"Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn."*  
- Benjamin Franklin

### Governor Vacancy

We have a Governor Vacancy at The Mill - more information can be found in the attached letter from our Executive Headteacher Neil Small.

### Attendance Cup Winners

Congratulations to our Goldsworthy class who are this week's winners with a fantastic 99.4%!



### Forever Proud

Every week a child from each class receives a Forever Proud badge, certificate and a photo of themselves to take home.

Congratulations this week to **Sahan H M, Noah A, Imogen C, Ali N, Madiha U, Sienna T, Precious M, Sariya K, Kian S, Sam T, Kane C, Niamh P, Jack C, and Kapilas N.**

Well done, you have all been amazing this week!



### Diary Dates

**Individual School Photo Day**  
**28<sup>th</sup> September**

*8.15 School Sibling Photos*  
*Individual Photos during school hours.*

**Half Term**

*Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October to*  
*Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October,*  
followed by an **INSET DAY** on  
*Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Oct*

