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Dear Parents/Carers of Year 3,

The children have continued to make a fantastic start to Year 3. They have all worked hard and it has been lovely to see their smiling faces - I am really proud of how they have settled into their new classes. There has been a real buzz around school with the children laughing, having fun and enjoying spending time with their friends. Of course, they have also been learning!

Thank you for your help in making this a very successful first week at VPJS. I appreciate the organisation it takes to get the children in school on time. This has definitely helped their transition.

Meet the Teacher

On **Tuesday 22nd September** there will be an opportunity for you to come and find out more about what your child will be learning this year. During the session, the class teachers will tell you about the routines, curriculum and homework as well as answering any questions you may have.

There will be two sessions; you only need to attend one of these. The first session will be from 3.40pm until 4.30pm. The second session will be from 4.25pm until 5.15pm. Your child(ren) is more than welcome to attend the session too. Please come to the hall.

At the start of the session, refreshments will be available in the hall with a chance to have a chat with Mr. Wilkinson and Miss Tidman.

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Together*



Break time Snacks

If your child bring a snack to eat at break time, this needs to be a healthy option such as a piece of fruit or packet of raisins. Please do not send in a packet of crisps or a chocolate bar for your child to eat at break time.

Attendance

It is important that the children attend school every day. This is important not just for your child's learning, but also for their overall wellbeing, wider development and their mental health. We know that there might be an occasion when your child is ill.

If your child is going to be absent, then you need to telephone the school office between 7:45am to 9:00am. As part of our attendance procedures, Mrs. Hall (Attendance Lead) will have a telephone conversation with you.

It is important to note:

- If your child(ren) arrives after 9:20am (this is when the registers close), they will be given a U code. A U code is classed as an unauthorised absence.
- Holidays taken during term time will be unauthorised.
- If your child misses 10 or more sessions (5 days) for unauthorised reasons (within a rolling ten school week period), then an 'Education Penalty Notice' may be issued. The fines are issued to each parent/carer. Fines per parent/carer are capped nationally to two fines within any three-year period. After this, other action like a parenting order or prosecution will be considered.

Please remember that it is important that we work as a team and if there is anything that you need support with, please contact the school office and this includes administering medicine (provided a parent/carer has completed a form at the school office).

Safety

We can assure you that the safety of the children is always our top priority. It is important that children are using the footpaths and do not walk across the car park without using the zebra crossing. Please can we ask that if you do need to use the car park to drive that you are aware of children and other pedestrians. **Nobody should stop or park on the zebra crossing.**



Please can I remind you that no dogs should be brought onto the school grounds, this includes the car park.

Please can I also remind you that no children should be playing on the gym equipment after school, either children who attend school or siblings/friends. We do not supervise it at this time & cannot ensure their safety.

Clubs

Information about school clubs will be sent out on Monday. All clubs (apart from choir) will start week commencing 14th September.

Clubs available to Year 3

Club	Day	Time	Cost
Football Club (children will need to bring in a football kit, shin pads and trainers)	Monday	After school until 4:15pm	£18.00 (6 weeks)
Multi-sports (a different sport each week, e.g. basketball, football and dodgeball)	Friday	8:00am - 8:45am	£18.00 (6 weeks)
Choir will start on Wednesday 14 th October A letter will be sent out later in the half-term.	Wednesday	After school until 4:15pm	No cost

Weekly News

Starting from next Friday (11th September) I will start writing my weekly newsletter.

Take care and have a lovely weekend.

Mr. J. Wilkinson