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Dear Parents and Families,

## Welcome Back

It has been a great start to the school year, the children all seem very happy and have settled into their new classes very well. Everyone coped very well with the change of classrooms and got to the right place in plenty of time, so a big thank you to all of you. As you can see we still have the builders working on the new play equipment in the Year R playground and on the school field. They should be all finished by the weekend and the children will be able to use the new equipment from Monday. Can I please ask you not to let your children go on the equipment before school on Monday. The teachers will take all the children outside to teach them the rules for using the equipment safely on Monday morning. I do not want any children to have an accident on the new equipment because it is new and they are over excited about using it.

## Meet the teacher sessions

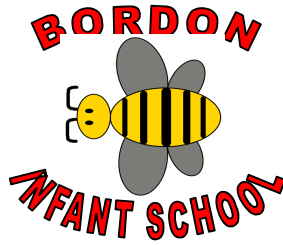
Each year we arrange a time for the parents to come in and meet their child's new teacher. This is an opportunity to find out about the class routines and the type of things the children will be covering this year. This is an opportunity to get to know your child's teacher and for them to get to know you. It is also a time for you to ask any questions you have, or for you to volunteer to help in class or on school trips. Year 1 will be having their session on **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 2:45pm**. Year 2 will be having their session on **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 2:45pm**. Please come to your child's class door as the chat will take place in your child's class. I really hope you will be able to come along as it is only by working together that we can achieve the very best for your child.

## Family fun day non-school uniform day – Friday 14 September 2012

Next Friday we are having a non-school uniform day to help get things to sell for the Fun Day which is on **Sunday 23rd September**. For those parents new to our school our Fun day is a joint event with the Junior school, a bit like a school summer fair but on a bigger scale. There are the normal games and activities for the children as well as a range of different trade stalls selling everything from jewellery to sock monkeys! The children from Year 1 and 2 will also be putting on a little dance as one of the arena events.

If your child would like to come dressed in non-school uniform on the **14<sup>th</sup> September**, all we ask is that they bring in a donation that we can sell. Things that would be appreciated are toiletries, boxes of chocolate, small gifts, children's books, anything that would help us raise some money for the two schools. Though it is a non-school uniform day the children will still be doing all their normal activities so please make sure their clothes are appropriate for school and they are things you don't mind getting paint or glue on!





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## On line payments

The school will in the next few weeks be introducing a new system for paying for school dinners, uniform, breakfast and buzz club and school trips on line. In order to prepare for this the office staff will be having two days of training, Tuesday the 11<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday the 18<sup>th</sup> September. On these days there will be only limited office support. Can I please ask if for these two dates you try and avoid phoning the school or coming into the office to pay for things. If there is an emergency you can still ring us but it would be a great help if all non-urgent enquiries could be left until the following day. We will release more details about the new system in the coming weeks. We hope this system will be a great benefit to many parents and give you more flexibility.

As always if you have any questions or concerns please come and see us.

## Dates for your diaries

### **Tuesday 11 September – Office closed**

Tuesday 11 September – Year 1 Meet the Teacher

Wednesday 12 September – Year 2 Meet the Teacher

Friday 14 September – Mufti Day

### **Tuesday 18 September pm – Office closed**

Friday 21 September – Year 1 Trip

Sunday 23 September – Family Fun Day

Thursday 27 September – School Photographer in

Yours sincerely,

Matt Greenhalgh  
**Headteacher**

