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Dear Parents and Carers,

The week after Half Term we will be holding parent appointments where you can meet your teacher and discuss your child's progress with them. Today* on Class Dojo teachers should share with you the link to the calendar booking system. This is a Google calendar so you may need a Google account to book yourself in. Please choose a time slot, which are 10 minutes long, and put your name in. If you have siblings in school be sure to space out your appointments to give you a chance to look at books etc. The booking system will be open for a week then closed at half term so please book yourself in as soon as you can. (*Mrs Hughes is not in school so this may be on Monday for her class)

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House Teams

This year we will be working with our House Captains to develop stronger bonds between the children in their House teams. We are hopeful that as these bonds develop, children across the school will foster relationships with others from different year groups, help support each other and the older children can mentor and support younger members of their house team. We will also be increasing the amount of Inter-house competitions that are held.

Celebrating

After Half Term, if a child receives a Head Teachers Award, a Gold award, Star of the Week, Superstar or is just amazing, the teachers will place a certificate card on the wall display in their classroom. This will stay up for half a term to help the children recognise and value when they are celebrated for something amazing. We will also be increasing the use of Class Dojo points—particularly in the Juniors where Dojo points will also be counted towards House totals.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Coughlín Head Teacher

PE Kit and Swimming

We have been wearing PE kit to school for 2 weeks now and I am aware that my communication of that decision was not right in terms of timing in the year, so my apologies for that and the difficulties it may have caused.

After Half Term the children will begin swimming each week, so on those days they need to bring their kit and not wear bathers to school as we have changing facilities. Swimming takes one of the PE slots for the week.

I can share that over the past two weeks:

- The children have had much more time being active in lessons
- There has been no change in focus to learning or behaviour around the school
- More children have had kit and been able to participate in PE.

Harvest Collection

Thank you to everyone for your donations for the Harvest collection, we will be passing to the Guernsey Welfare Service for their food bank.

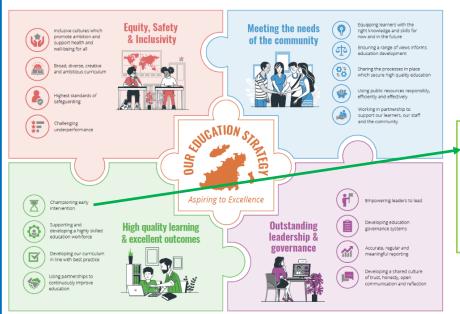
SwimMarathon

Well done to all of the children who volunteered their time, lots of physical energy and sponsorship as part of the school teams. You were amazing!



Education Strategy

The Education Strategy established by the Committee for Education, Sport and Culture serves as a compass for what our Education system needs to deliver. The strategy acts as the glue that holds together our overarching priorities. It is split into 4 priorities as shown in the graphic below and describes how these commitments will ensure the best outcomes for our children.



Over the year I will share what the strategy looks like in our school.

This week we will start with Early intervention

The extra detail

Championing early intervention approaches in all phases and building on excellent foundations to provide the best outcomes for our learners

How this looks in our school

- Assessments of speech and language needs in infant children.
- On-going assessments of core skills in reading, writing and maths and termly meetings for the teachers with the head and deputy to discuss every single child's progress every term.
- Staff meeting regularly with the Inclusion lead Mrs Fyfe to discuss individual children who may not be making expected progress.
- Intervention groups throughout school for when a child needs extra support with learning.
- Any child who needs specific targets to support their additional needs to have an individual education plan (IEP) or a "My Plan" in place and reviewed regularly.
- More learning assistants in the Infants for greater pupil adult ratios to support early development
- Sports commission supporting physical development in Reception one afternoon a week.



Diary Dates

ALL DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

October			November	
			1st and 2nd	Parent Consultation evenings
14th	PTA Bingo		10th	PTA AGM 3pm
				PTA Prosecco and Presents shopping evening 6pm
24th – 28th	Half Term week		Dec 2nd	Christmas Fayre 1.15pm
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