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# **Two Rivers Federation**

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### Dear parents/carers,

It was lovely to have our first celebration assembly yesterday. A few children received certificates for achieving 25 merits for their work and enjoyed sharing their success with their friends. We also celebrated the Year 6 netball success from last week; they won the Bee Netball tournament, beating 6 other schools. As well as their win, they also showed great kindness and teamwork and were great representatives of the school. Well done everyone!

### **Parent Forum**

On Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January there will be a parent forum meeting at 9.30am in the school hall. We have already requested that parents volunteer to be representatives for their child's class but all are welcome and those decisions can be made at the meeting. It is an opportunity to connect with staff and each other to discuss any queries and develop partnership working between school and families. If you wish to attend, please come to reception at 9.30am to be signed in.

### Reminder

School begins and the register is taken at 9am. Please allow extra time to arrive from 8.50am.

We expect children to be in class ready to learn by 9am.

#### **Absence & Lateness:**

Please contact the school as soon as possible, by telephone, preferably before 9.15am.

If no one is available to answer the phone then please leave a message. **Please do not use email for reporting absences.** Please ring each day your child is absent or is going to be late.

#### **Term Dates**

Thank you to those of you who sent in your comments regarding the proposed term dates for 2023-2024, the governors took these into account, along with those of the staff when making their decision to adopt the dates as proposed. These can now be found on the <u>website</u>.

# From Devon County Council re school transport

Devon County Council is consulting on its arrangements for home-to-school transport. Currently Devon County Council charges £600 per annum (with a £30.00 discount if the full-year cost is paid in full) for concessionary seat passengers and post-16 passengers. This annual charge is a contribution towards the cost of the transport we provide.

We are consulting on increasing these charges to £800 per annum from September 2023.

Full details are available at: <a href="https://www.devon.gov.uk/haveyoursay/consultations/home-to-school-transport-consultation">www.devon.gov.uk/haveyoursay/consultations/home-to-school-transport-consultation</a>
The changes, if approved, would apply to all new and existing passengers.

Please submit all comments by the closing date of **2 March 2023**. A survey for responses is available as part of the Home to School Transport consultation via the weblink above. For alternative ways of responding, please see the weblink above.

## **Early Bird Club**

Please ensure you book your child in advance into Early Bird Club. Children are arriving at Early book club without a booking. We need to know who we are expecting at the club so that we have the correct staffing ratio on site to keep the children safe.

Please note we require Early Bird and Lunch payments to be made within a fortnightly period.

# Dates

Parent Forum – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January 9.30am Monday 13th - Friday 17th February - Half term