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## OAKINGTON C of E (A) PRIMARY SCHOOL

HEAD TEACHER:  
Mrs. Sally Daggianti

5<sup>th</sup> September 2014

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the start of what promises to be another successful school year. All children are settling in well to their classes and working hard. We are very pleased to welcome Miss Childs onto the staff who will be teaching Elm Class during Miss Brown's maternity leave. I look forward to seeing you again over the next few days.

Yours sincerely,  
Sally Daggianti

### PSA

A big thank you to the PSA who paid for the new, larger shed which went up in the front playground during the summer holidays.

A week on Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> September the PSA will be holding a Back to School Party at 2.00pm. There will be a variety of attractions including various inflatables, stalls and a café. I look forward to seeing many of you then.

### PE bags and equipment

Please ensure that PE bags are sent in to school on Monday mornings and are taken home on Fridays. Please also make sure that all items of uniform are clearly named.

### Year 5 and 6 children travelling to and from school

Please ensure that a permission letter is sent into school if your child is in Year 5 or 6 and you wish them to travel home alone.

### Data collection forms and asthma cards

Please ensure that any outstanding data collection sheets which have not yet been returned to school are sent in as soon as possible. It is essential that emergency contact details and other important information which is held on the sheets are available in school.

If your child is asthmatic and has an inhaler please bring their updated asthma card and pump back into school. If your child is asthmatic and has just started school please bring an inhaler into school for them and collect an asthma card from the office.

### **Attendance**

At Oakington C of E Primary School, we expect at least 95% and wherever possible 100% attendance from all children in order for them to be able to attain maximum achievement. All non urgent doctors or dentists appointments should be arranged after school or during holidays whenever possible. When a child is ill or unable to attend school we request that a message is sent by 9.15 am. We also request that a note is sent when a child returns to school in order that correct reasons for absence are recorded.

Please avoid taking your child on holiday during term time. Amendments to the 2006 Education Pupil Registration Regulations have removed references to family holiday as well as the statutory threshold of ten days. This means that leave of absence can no longer be authorized during term time except in exceptional circumstances.

### **Summer holiday swimming**

Thank you to those resus trained parents who helped with the rota of supervision so that the pool was opened for some afternoons during the holidays. £77 was made from the sessions which will be given to PSA funds.

### **Swimming for Foundation and Key Stage 1 children**

Swimming will begin again for Elm and Maple classes week beginning Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> September. Elm Class will swim on Friday mornings and Maple Class on Thursday afternoons. If you are able to help with swimming please talk to Class teachers.

### **Parent helpers**

If you are able to help in school with hearing children read we would be very grateful. Please talk to your child's class teacher or myself if you are able to volunteer in this way.

### **St. Andrews Church Service**

On Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> September St. Andrews children's church service will be held in the school hall at 10.15am. If your child is able to take part in the service please return the permission slip at the bottom of this letter to school.

**Dates for your diary...**

Thurs., 4th September  
Sat., 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2.00pm  
Sun., 14<sup>th</sup> September, 10.15am  
Mon., 15<sup>th</sup> September  
Wed., 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2.45pm  
Fri., 3rd October  
Fri., 3rd October  
Mon., 6<sup>th</sup> October  
Wed., 8<sup>th</sup> October  
**Mon., 20<sup>th</sup> October**  
**Mon., 27<sup>th</sup> Oct. Fri. 31<sup>st</sup> Oct.**  
Tues., 9<sup>th</sup> December, 9.30am  
Tues., 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2.00pm  
Wed., 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2.00pm  
Wed., 17<sup>th</sup> December, 6.30pm  
Fri., 19<sup>th</sup> December, 9.30am  
**Fri., 19<sup>th</sup> December**

Pupils return to school  
PSA Back to School Party  
St. Andrew's children's service here  
Extra- curricular Clubs begin  
Parents Forum  
Harvest Festival 9.30am in Church  
Harvest Concert 7.30pm in Church  
Lunchtime Bible Club-all week  
Cathedral Day visit KS2  
**Teacher training day - NO SCHOOL!**  
**--- Half Term ---**  
Nativity Dress Rehearsal  
KS1 Nativity  
KS2 Concert  
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Carol Service in Church  
**End of Term**

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Signed.....