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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic first week we have had at Ormiston Cliff Park Primary Academy! It has been a real pleasure to welcome everyone back and to see the children settling so happily into their new classes, routines and learning. There has been a lovely atmosphere around the school, and we have been incredibly proud of the way that the children have approached the new school year with such positivity.

A special 'welcome' goes to all of our new children joining us in the Nursery and Reception. They have made a fantastic start to school life, and it has been a pleasure to see their confidence and independence grow throughout the week as they have explored their new surroundings, made friends, got to know their teachers and begun to develop those all-important routines.

We all belong.

One of our key themes this week has been 'belonging'. We have been thinking about what it means to belong and how we can help others to feel that they belong too. We have talked about how lucky we are to be part of our Cliff Park academy family and how we are a school community of individuals who each bring something special and unique, but together we are a team.

Our youngest children have been enjoying the wonderful text 'Incredible You', which celebrates every child's unique skills, talents and qualities and this has provided a starting point for discussions about what makes each of us special.

Across Years 1-6, the children have been sharing 'The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse'. Through the story and its poignant messages, the children have been exploring kindness, teamwork, courage and friendship and how these qualities can help everyone to feel included and supported in our school.

These conversations are helping us to establish the foundations for another very positive year – one in which children feel confident to try new things and remember to help others along the way.

Looking ahead

Next week, we will be sending some letters introducing you to your child's new year group, including information about the team who will be working with your child and an overview of the learning that is planned for this term.

PE Days

PE days for this year are as follows for each year group:

Year 1 Venturers – Tuesday and Wednesday

Year 2 Voyagers – Monday and Tuesday

Year 3 Mariners – Monday and Thursday

Year 4 Wayfarers – Monday and Thursday
Year 5 Globetrotters – Wednesday and Friday
Year 6 Trailblazers – Tuesday and Wednesday
Mrs Humphrey's Discoverers - Thursday and Friday

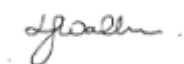
A reminder that children come into the academy wearing their PE Kit, including their school jumper or cardigan, on these days please, starting from next week.

Thank you for your support this week and we look forward to continuing to work in partnership with you throughout the year.

Dates for your diary

Thursday 24 th September 2.15pm	Welcome to Year 1 - Information session for Y1 parents and carers
Friday 25 th September 2.15pm	Welcome to Phonics - Information session for parents and carers of Reception children
Wednesday 7 th October	Parents Evening
Wednesday 14 th October	Parents Evening
Friday 23 rd October	End of Autumn Term 1
Monday 2 nd November	Start of Autumn Term 2
Friday 20 th November	Children in Need
Friday 20 th November	Book Fair
Tuesday 8 th December 9.15am & 2pm	Year 3 & 4 Christmas Performance
Friday 11 th December 9.15am & 2pm	Year 5 & 6 Christmas Performance
Tuesday 15 th December 9.15am	EYFS Christmas Performance
Wednesday 16 th December 9.15am & 2pm	Year 1 & 2 Christmas Performance
Friday 18 th December	Academy Christmas Lunch
Friday 18 th December	End of Autumn Term 2

Yours sincerely



Mrs L. Watkins
Principal