



# NEWSLETTER



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**Dates for the Autumn term**

**New items in red**

## Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a brand new school year at Friars. It promises to be action packed with lots to look forward to! I would like to welcome, our new families and children joining the school in Nursery and Reception as well as others joining us throughout the rest of the school.

### **Staff news:**

I am sure you will join us in welcoming our two new teachers, Miss Brooks Carter (YR) and Miss Sullivan (Y1) who have made a great start. In addition we will be wishing Miss Castillo the best of luck next Friday when she leaves us to go on maternity leave. We will keep you posted with her news. Finally we must also congratulate Miss Midgley (Y6 teacher) who got married over the summer and who will from now on be known as Mrs Wignall.

### **Growth Mindset:**

One of our main whole school improvement priorities this year is to help all our pupils develop stamina and resilience in the face of a more demanding curriculum. To do that we are introducing the idea of Growth Mindset to the school. We will be doing a presentation for parents to explain in more detail next Tuesday from 5-5:30 (just before the meet the teacher meetings). We hope many of you will be able to come along as we will be talking about the relationship between home and school when developing a Growth Mindset.

### **Meet the teacher meetings (Y1—Y6):**

Please do try and come along to the meet the teacher meetings (straight after the Growth Mindset presentation) next Tuesday (5:30—6:15) as you will have a chance to meet your child's new teacher and to find out about routines, expectations etc.

### **British Values and Social Moral Spiritual Cultural (SMSC) development agreement**

At the meet the teacher meetings next Tuesday we will be asking parents to read and sign a new agreement which supports the school's legal obligation to promote fundamental British values and SMSC. We will also ask parents to sign a new copy of the e-safety, digital imagery, local trip permission and curriculum participation agreement.

### **Uniform reminder:**

As we start a new school year it is important that the children are all properly attired. Please have a look at the following link: <http://friarsprimaryschool.com/useful-information/#link8> for our code of dress guidelines if you are unsure as to what uniform your child should be wearing.

### **Playground:**

Many of you will have seen the excellent progress that has been made with our playground development. We are aiming for it to be ready for use by the end of the month but until then unfortunately we are having to limit the amount of available playspace. Thankyou for your ongoing understanding. We are all very excited about its completion!

**Monday 11th September**—Y5 to start swimming lessons

**Tuesday 12th September**—Growth Mindset presentation to parents 5pm; meet the teacher sessions 5:30pm

**Monday 18th September**—Anti prejudice/ stereotyping workshops for Year 5 and 6

**Friday 22nd September**—Parent coffee morning 9:00—9:30

**Monday 25th September**—Y6 to Imperial War Museum

**Friday 29th September**—Harvest assembly 11am

**Wednesday 4th October**—Parent open morning 9:10—10:10

**Thursday 5th October**—children's individual photos to be taken

**Thursday 12th October**—open morning for prospective YN/YR pupils (September 18 intake)

**Friday 13th October**—Y6 parent secondary transfer application workshop (optional) 9-10

**Monday 16th October**—International week

**Wednesday 18th October**—Y6 parent secondary transfer application workshop (optional) 4:30—5:30

**Friday 20th October**—international week lunch for parents and performance

**Monday 23rd—Friday 27th October**—Half term break

**Monday 30th October**—final Y5 swimming session

**Wednesday 1st November**—anti radicalization workshops for Y5 and 6

**Monday 6th November**—Under the sea workshops for YR, 1 and 2; Y4 to start swimming

**Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th November**—autumn term parent consultations

**Growth mindset thought for the week:**

"Believe you can ... and you are halfway there!"  
Theodore Roosevelt

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**Have a great weekend!**  
Yours sincerely,  
**J. Burtt, Headteacher**



## EYFS/KS1

Year Two

DJ Sabarias

for being a fabulous role model & for making Keyaan, who is new to Year 2, so welcome.

**Well Done!**



## KS2

Year Six

Ruby Atkinson

for her beautiful presentation—on—it makes me so happy!

**Well Done!**



**Assembly theme / value on our return:  
Growth Mindset**



	Class	ATTENDANCE
1st	5	97.2%
2nd	6	94.3%
3rd	1	93.6%
4th	3	89.2%
5th	4	82,.6%
6th	2	79.7%
7th	-	-



	Class	ON TIME
1st	5	96.7%
2nd	1	93.6%
3rd	6	91.4%
4th	3	86.6%
5th	4	81.9%
6th	2	77.8%
7th	-	-