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Dear Parents,

On behalf of the staff at Eyres Monsell School, I am happy to welcome you to the 2017-18 school year! We hope the children have had a good Summer holiday and are ready to be back at school, working hard.

We have had more than 60 new pupils join the school this term from our Nursery through to Year 6 and we have more children joining us next week! We would like to welcome our new families to Eyres Monsell and hope that your children enjoy their time at our school.

As the school continues to grow in size, we have welcomed new staff this year. We welcome our new teachers, Mr Short, Mrs Adams, Miss Collins, Mrs Gillham, Mrs Abbott and Miss Adamowicz to the school. We also welcome our new teaching assistants Mrs King and Ms Kotecha.

Staff are hard at work planning exciting lessons and experiences for the children for this year. We have lots coming up including a whole school Space theme this half term. We have added more clubs this year, with Mr King starting a Fundamentals club, Miss D. Hill starting a netball club and Mr Popat leading our football clubs for KS1, KS2. We have 224 after school club spaces available this term – an increase of approximately 25% from last term.

A few reminders:

P.E kit

Children will receive a new PE kit consisting of t-shirts and shorts from the school. These will remain in school and be washed by us, to ensure all children have a P.E kit to participate in lessons every week. Please ensure your child has appropriate footwear for PE lessons, including plimsolls (indoors) and trainers (outdoors).

School uniform

Girls – grey skirt / pinafore or green checked dress or grey trousers, white shirt / polo shirt and green jumper or cardigan.

Boys – grey trousers / knee length shorts, white shirt/ polo shirt and green jumper.
Shoes should be sensible and black.

School jumpers and cardigans are available to buy from the school office as well as book bags.



Please ensure school uniform is labelled, as this is really helpful – especially when 30 young children are getting changed!

Please note that hair accessories should be flat to the head and small in size (3 inches / 7.5 cm). Large bows, ribbons and Jo Jo bows are not suitable in school for health and safety reasons. Hair accessories should be plain in colour – ideally green. We would recommend that children with long hair tie it back.

Morning / End of Day Procedures

School starts at 8.40am and children should arrive promptly to the playground to enter school at this time. Staff have been reminded of the importance of being on time at the start and end of the day, to support parents in dropping off and collecting children.

We would like to encourage children to arrive by 8.40am and will be starting our new early morning “wake up, shake up” sessions from 8.20am. These are free sessions which are being led by Mr King, to encourage children to arrive at school on time and have a fun and active start to the day. Please come along and join in!

If your child is unwell and not able to attend school, please make sure you let us know as soon as possible on the first day of absence. This way we can be sure that all children are either safely at school or at home. All absences are followed up by our pastoral team (Mrs Boddice, Mrs Lawrence and Mrs Morris).

Health and Safety issues

I am sure you appreciate that the health and safety of the children is of paramount importance to all of us. With this in mind can we just remind you of the following:

- The school gates open at 8.15am and school begins at 8.40am. External doors are shut as soon as children are in the building by 8.45am.
- Please let us know if your child is being collected by someone else so we are able to let them leave at the end of the day.
- If your child is in Year 5 or 6 and you would like them to walk home on their own, please ask for a permission letter from the office.
- As a city school, traffic and parking will always be an issue for us. In order to keep your children safe please can we ask that children are never left unsupervised outside the school gate and that you avoid parking in front of the school entrance or close to the entrance – thank you.
- Please make sure that your children (those who attend our school and their siblings) do not use the equipment in the playground at the beginning and end of the day as our insurance does not cover injuries at this point as children are in the care of their parents.
- Jewellery (except a single pair of stud earrings) should not be worn.
- Please ensure children wear helmets if they bike or ride a scooter to school. Please call in at the office for a letter about riding a bike or scooter to school.

Following our positive HMI Inspection last term, we are looking forward to another happy and successful year and hope our pupils enjoy the year and learning to come in 2017 – 2018.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs K. Hill
Head teacher