



**The Redeemer**

**Church of England Primary School**

Headteacher: Mr M Power

6<sup>th</sup> September 2024

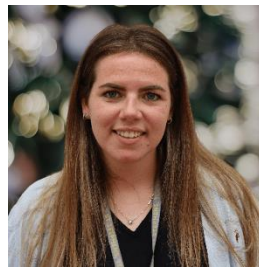
**Monthly Update – September**

**Welcome Back**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to report that we have had a fantastic first week, with all students looking extremely smart in their new uniforms. Their appearance has certainly created excellent first impressions for their new teachers and they have worked hard to live out our Redeemer Way.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend a special welcome to the new members of our staff who have joined us this term: Mr Errey, who will be teaching Year 1, and Miss Champion and Mr Keeling, who will both be teaching Year 3.



Looking ahead, we are pleased to announce that next week we will be hosting our Meet the Teacher Event. This is a great opportunity for parents and carers to meet their child's new class teachers, as well as members of our Senior Leadership Team.

In addition, I am pleased to inform you that our school website has undergone a significant makeover. These changes will enable parents/carers ease when navigating, more opportunities to showcase our pupils' achievements through photos and videos and an enhanced website experience when using a phone or tablet.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to seeing you at the Meet the Teacher Event and throughout the rest of the year.

Yours sincerely,

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### Year 2 Published Poets

Under the guidance of Mr Ainsworth and Mrs Prescott last year, the children engaged in writing acrostic poems focused on the imaginative theme of monsters. Throughout this unit, they used their poetic skills and explored various poetic features, allowing their imaginations to flourish. All poems created by the Year 1 students were submitted to the Young Writers Association. Following a review process, the association selected several poems for publication. This week, we received a special package containing the published works. The poems will be sent home with our Year 2 published poets early next week.

We are immensely proud of our pupils' achievements and their ability to express themselves through poetry. I would also like to thank Mr Ainsworth and Mrs Prescott for organising this fantastic opportunity.



### Walking Home Guidance

The welfare and safety of all our pupils is our number one concern that is why we have published the [Guidance for Safeguarding Pupils walking to and from school alone](#).

**EYFS & KS1:** Our agreed school policy is that no pupil in Foundation Stage or Key Stage 1 pupil should walk to or from school on their own or be left on their own on the school premises either before or after school, this includes in the playground or outside the classroom door.

**LKS2:** Our agreed school policy is that pupils in Years 3 and 4 should NOT walk to or from school on their own or be left on their own on the school premises either before or after school. However, in circumstances where parents or carers are unable to pick up their child after school we will require written permission from the parent/carer.

**UKS2:** For pupils in Year 5 and Year 6, we believe that if children live within walking distance to school and are able to walk a safe route then you as parents/carers need to decide whether your child is ready for the responsibility of walking to and from school alone. If you wish for your child to walk home alone then you must provide school with written consent.

**Siblings:** Due to staffing and safety of pupils, we do not permit pupils to walk to other classes internally to meet siblings to be collected together.

If you need any more information, please don't hesitate in getting in touch with school.

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## Key Dates Autumn 1

To assist you in planning ahead, please find below the key dates for the Autumn term:

### **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September – Meet the Teacher Event**

15:30 – 16:00 and 17:15 – 17:45

*A chance to meet your child's class teacher, find out key information for the year ahead and ask any questions.*

### **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October - Whole School Open Afternoon**

15:20 – 17:00

*Parents/carers pupils are invited into school, to take a tour of school, have a look at your child's class and their current books, meet class teachers and our Senior Leadership Team.*

### **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October – Open Evening**

*Our Open Evening is an opportunity for those prospective and current parents/carers who are looking to apply for a school place for September 2025 to take a tour of school*

### **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October - Coffee Morning**

09:45 – 10:15

*Following on from Friday's Celebration Worship our Junior Leadership Team will be hosting a Coffee Morning with all donations going to Macmillan Cancer Support.*

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