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Common Road Infant and Nursery School

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Dear parents and carers,

Friday 9th September 2022

It has been a wonderful week here in school, we were all delighted to welcome our children and families back to school on Wednesday, we have missed you all so much over the summer holidays…It was lovely to hear how much you had missed us too!

I hope you managed to find some time together over the summer break to make some special family memories, I know I did (See overleaf) But I was ready to get back to school and get back into a routine and I bet you were too!

For the children and families who are just starting their journey at Common Road, we are delighted to welcome you into our school family, I know that you will be very well looked after by the staff, children, parents and community…this is a very special place to come to school.

My vision for our school is simple, I want to work with families to ensure that our children get the very best start to their education here at Common Road. I am passionate that children in the early years and KS1 learn to become fluent in the basics of reading, writing and maths and that this will build strong foundations for learning as they go through school.

We will recognise each child as an individual, and we are committed to the social and emotional development of all children. We will work with children and their families to help them manage their feelings and behaviour so that they can develop relationships with others and grow up to be happy and healthy. We will work with families to ensure that our children grow to have good values and morals which will allow them to be good members of our community and our world.

I alongside the staff and governors at Common Road look forward to being part of this journey with you and your child.

The passing of Queen Elizabeth II

We were saddened to hear last night of the passing of our Queen, Queen Elizabeth II. I would like to send our love and best wishes to the royal family at the sad time. The Queen dedicated her life to our country, she was a strong woman and an excellent role model for our young children. Today we had a special assembly led by Miss Atkinson where we reflected on the Queen's life, her achievements and her passing. On behalf of the school including the staff and pupils I would like to thank Queen Elizabeth II for her hard work and dedication to our country.

Attached to this newsletter are the diary dates for the Autumn term. Please keep these safe (pop them on the fridge!) so you know what is happening for your child this term. There are so many opportunities to work together this term and for you to come into school and share some special milestones like your child's nativity!

Overleaf is a letter to your child, please could you take the time to read this to them. This will hopefully tell them a little bit more about me as Headteacher of our school.

I very much look forward to working with you and your child and look forward to meeting you/catching up with you all in person over the coming weeks.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Danielle Edwards

Headteacher

Dear boys and girls at Common Road Infant and Nursery School,

Welcome to our school or for some boys and girls welcome back… I have really missed you!

I hope you all had a lovely summer holiday, I was thinking about you all and was wondering what you might have been busy doing!

You have all come into school this week with a super attitude to your learning, and you have all been very brave leaving your grown-ups…well done! This week I have spotted your wonderful manners and behaviour. I have also seen how enthusiastic you are to learn new things which is wonderful to see. I am looking forward to learning and having fun, making special memories with you and your teachers this year.

I joined the Common Road family in June 2021 as Headteacher coming from another Wakefield School, I have to say it was one of the best decisions I ever made. I love our school and the teachers and support staff here are some of the best I have ever worked with. I am biased but I also think you might be the best children in Wakefield and you have lovely grown-ups who love and support our school too.

I live in Wakefield with my family, Mr Edwards and our little girl Posey who is 6. She has just started Year 2 like some of you are! I love being a teacher and headteacher and my job is very important to me. When I am not at school I love to be with my family which includes my pets. I have two dogs called Beau & Hugo and five cats! Pumpkin, Marmalade, Tabatha, Juni and Cream.

Here are a few photographs of my family for you to look at.

From

Mrs Edwards

Headteacher

Posey and I visiting some of the sights in Seville, Spain. This is inside the Alcazar.

A visit to Las Vegas in America with our friends. This is a giant zebra in the hotel reception!

A day out at Doncaster Races with our family and our friends.