



Wilbarston CEVC Primary School

September 2019

Welcome to a new school year! An especially warm welcome to our 18 new Reception children and the other three new children and families who have joined us. It's always hard to imagine that it will be Christmas at the end of this term but it will! Look out for the calendar dates including parents' evenings and Christmas events.

The Robins classrooms had all necessary roof and ceiling renovation over the summer break. The area was only handed back to school on the first of September so the Robins staff (plus some family members and other staff) were all hands on deck to put back all the furniture and classroom resources in time for school starting. The project came in under budget so the Project Manager is hopeful there are enough funds remaining to redecorate at half term. We await quotes as it would be a lovely finishing touch.

Thank you to you all as the children look very smart in their school uniforms. As the children get older we know they are keen to be more individual and follow trends, but we would remind parents that nail varnish and make up are not part of our uniform and that no jewellery except watches is allowed for health and safety reasons. School shoes not trainers should be worn. Also, hair longer than the collar should be tied up at all times including mufti days; it helps us fight the headlice that can appear and is safer.

Please look on our website gallery for photos of your children at the end of term events. There are sports day photos and Kingfisher Warwick Castle photos amongst others. Photos are regularly put in the gallery for you to see all we do at school – please check every now and again.

Clubs will start up again next week in most cases. Please note that there are no clubs in the final week of the term at Christmas. Look out for the letter.

Our new food provider, ABM and our fantastic cook, Mandy, have worked really hard to put in place the new school food contract. If you experience any issues, please contact the office. There will be a wider range of desserts, which will now be almost always be prepared here. In the autumn term we will also be asking the children for their ideas on the next menu and the company will tailor the menu for our pupils' preferences (in line with School Food guidelines).

On the training day one of the sessions staff needed to do was epi pen training. When returning your data sheets PLEASE remember to tell us of any changes to medical conditions. Several times a year parents realise they haven't and there is something we need to know. Also, PLEASE tell us if something changes at home e.g. a pet dies, changes to home life, a poorly grandparent. Working with your children staff care about your child and we notice when they are not themselves. Please let us know so we can quietly monitor your child more closely at times they may need a bit more support. Thank you.

We are delighted to welcome our new Reception children. We have almost a full cohort this year (18 with another due to start soon). But, it is already that time when parents of children starting school next year begin to look at schools. We have some open sessions to allow parents to visit us. If you know someone with a younger child, please direct them to our website and Facebook pages for details. We do email local nurseries our flyers too but we may miss some families. Our dates are Fri 27th Sept at 9:15am, Thur 17th Oct at 6:30pm and Tues 12th Nov at 2pm. Thank you.