



8<sup>th</sup> September 2017

# DEVORAN NEWS

## Message from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

The first week of the new academic year has been truly exceptional. The children re-joined us with renewed enthusiasm and an ever-growing thirst for learning.

During an assembly this week I spoke with the children about my new garden and the variety of different plants that are growing in it. We talked about how each flower has to be considerate of the others – much like us respecting one another in school. Each class has been given a different type of house plant to nurture and grow in their classrooms. I will look forward to seeing how the children (and plants) blossom throughout the year.

Please join us next week for the 'Meet the Teacher' events that are scheduled in the blue section of this newsletter. These will be an opportunity to learn about the content of the curriculum that your child will be engaging with, and for you to ask questions about how you can support your child with home learning. We look forward to seeing you there.

Best wishes,

Miss Lock

*Whatever the Weather*

We will always do our best to get the children outside in all weather. For this reason, please ensure that your child brings a coat in with them on a daily basis. I am learning quickly that the weather in Devoran can be quite unpredictable!



ParentPay

Autograph (our catering company) have asked us to remind Parents and Carers that everyone needs to log on and order their meals **ahead** of requiring them. If you need a new Parent Pay login, please come and see Mrs Andrews in the school reception. From Monday 18<sup>th</sup> you will no longer be able to order lunches via the school. If your child is receiving Universal Infant Free Meals or your child receives Free School Meals, you must still log on to your account and order the meals (but you will not be charged).

From next week we will be sharing our monitoring of children's attendance and punctuality with you. This box will contain the following:

## Attendance Congratulations

Week commencing 11<sup>th</sup> September  
**Year ..?**

Classes with over 97% and above:  
**How many year groups can achieve this..?**

## Meet the teacher

To give you an opportunity to meet your child's new teacher and for the teachers to meet you and set the expectations for the year ahead, we have organised a series of **30 minute** 'Meet the Teacher' events for every year group in Key Stage One and Key Stage Two. The dates and times are as follows:

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September**  
Year One - 15:40  
Year Two - 16:10

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September**  
Year Four - 15:40  
Year Five - 16:10

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September**  
Year Three - 15:40  
Year Six - 16:10