

# **DONNINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL**



## **AUTUMN TERM NEWSLETTER**

**14<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Welcome back to the start of the 2018 - 2019 Academic Year at Donnington. I trust you all had a wonderful summer.

We have been fortunate to have had extensive works carried out over the summer break including the upgrading of the water supply and heating system. The final phase of this work will be completed during the October half term holiday. This will mean the whole school has an efficient heating system in place for the winter months.

I would like to thank all staff for their incredible patience and hard work in ensuring the school was ready for the children to return last week. It was truly a wonderful team effort.

We welcome Ms Mensah and Ms Bunting to the Donnington team as our Year 5 and Year 3 Class Teachers and also Ms Kazmi to our team of Teaching Assistants. We trust they will enjoy their time with us.

It has been lovely to see how smart pupils look in their new sweatshirts and polo shirts. I have also been very impressed with the attitude towards learning shown in every class across the whole school.

There are a wide range of activities planned for this term and you will also find important information and dates in the letter from your child's Class Letter on the back of this Newsletter.

We will be implementing a range of lunchtime clubs starting the week beginning 17<sup>th</sup> September. **Kevin Minns, Headteacher**

### **NSPCC**

We are pleased to have two NSPCC assemblies on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September. Years 5 and 6 will have workshops titled 'Speak out. Stay Safe'.

Please see the attached letter from the NSPCC.

### **Attendance Reminder**

The first days of a new school year are an important part of setting the right conditions for learning. **ANY** absences at the beginning of the school year will be recorded as Unauthorised and reported to the Brent Educational Welfare Officer in accordance with Government guidelines.

If an absence is due to illness, medical evidence will be required. Please note holidays during term time (including holiday delays) will not be authorised. Attendance at school is an investment in your child's education and school experiences.

**Ms S. Adae, Deputy Headteacher & Attendance Co-ordinator**

### **School Uniform**

Our new uniform sweatshirts and polo shirts are available to buy from the School Office at the start and end of each school day.

Children may, of course, continue to wear their existing uniform while it still fits. Please note that leggings and cardigans are not school uniform.

### **Message from Mrs Mannion**

Dear children, parents, carers and staff of Donnington,

Mr Mannion and I would like to thank you for your kind words, cards and gifts. Our son Milo is a very lucky boy to already have so many friends and he is looking forward to meeting you! See you soon.

**Mrs Mannion**

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

**Children in Years 1 and 2 MUST be accompanied by an adult in the playground until the 8:45 bell has rung.**

*Please see your child's Class Letter over the page.*