



WELCOME BACK

It has been wonderful to welcome everyone back to school and to see the children settle so positively into the new year.

As we begin this new term, we have been reminding the children of our school vision, Together We Thrive, and what it means to be belonging together, growing together and learning together in God's love.

We have also revisited our three simple school rules:
Be Ready. Be Respectful. Be Safe.

These expectations help us to create a calm, happy and inclusive school where everyone can learn, feel that they belong and do their very best.

A key focus for us this year is also attendance. Being in school every day really matters. It helps children to build strong relationships, keep up with their learning and feel part of their class and school community. We have had an amazing start, with whole-school attendance above 96% every day this week! Thank you to all of our families for helping us to achieve this. It is a fantastic way to begin the year and we hope to keep it going.

We are looking forward to another exciting year of learning, growing and thriving together.



COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This half term, our Collective Worship value is Friendship. We will be thinking about what it means to be a good friend, how we can show kindness and care to others, and how strong friendships help us to feel that we belong.

We have also introduced our new Values Awards, linked to our school vision, Together We Thrive.

Children will be recognised with a:

- Belonging Award - for helping others to feel welcome, included and valued
- Growing Award - for showing resilience, courage and a willingness to improve
- Learning Award - for demonstrating a positive attitude to learning and giving their best

We are really looking forward to celebrating the many ways our children live out our vision and values every day.

Dear God,
Thank you for bringing us together at the start of a new school year.
Help us to be ready to learn, respectful to one another and safe in all that we do.
May everyone in our school know that they belong, have the courage to grow and enjoy learning new things.
Help us to support one another so that, together, we can thrive.
Amen.

Friendship Endurance Thankfulness Forgiveness Service Hope

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