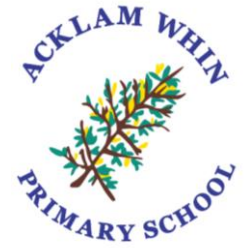


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13<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Dear Parents,

Welcome back! We had a great first week back for all our children last week and this week has been just as jam-packed with fun, memorable learning for them all. Thank you for your continued support, all our children look so smart in their school uniforms and have settled brilliantly back into their new year groups. We are also so pleased to welcome our new Nursery and Reception children-you have all been fabulous!

## **Sports clubs/events**

Mr Jackson has already sent out information via our app about the morning and after school clubs that started this week from Monday 11th September for our Year 6 children and for Years 2-5 from Monday 18th September. There will be more clubs up and running shortly and more details about those will follow shortly. Next week will see our Year 5 children at the Big Boro Book Mash, at Middlesbrough Town Hall, Year 3 classes going swimming and Year 6 girls and boys taking part in a football competition and so another busy week ahead!

## **RAAC**

A further update to my earlier letter regarding RAAC (Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete). An initial survey of our school was undertaken in 2019. This survey did not identify any RAAC in our buildings and we have not been asked to close any areas. However, given recent developments, we are working with the DfE and Middlesbrough Council to more thoroughly check whether RAAC has been used in the construction of any part of our buildings and next week we will have another survey to thoroughly check all parts of our building and I will inform you about the results of this further survey as soon as I receive them.

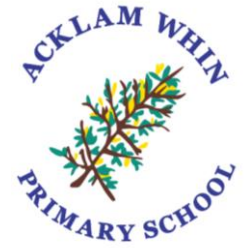
## **Kader Academy**

You may have seen recent media coverage that confirmed Kader Academy at the weekend had confirmation of RAAC. We have been asked today to help support our neighbouring school, as have other local schools, by using our spare classroom for one of their classes of children. We all know our children have had disrupted learning in recent years due to Covid and at Acklam Whin we wanted to help and support them in any way we can. If you have any queries about this, I am available on the school gate each morning or do get in touch.

## **Thank you!**

Last year, we held fundraising events throughout the year to help raise money for our children and one of our aims was to develop our outdoor learning provision for our Nursery children and thanks to you and your amazing support we were able to fund lots new outdoor equipment for our children including climbing equipment, planters, mark-marking table, water area and as you can see from the photos-they love them!

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Thank you all so much- we really appreciate it.



## Important dates

### PD Days

**Monday 4th September**

**Friday 27th October**

**Monday 8th January**

**Monday 3rd June**

**Monday 22nd July**

**Monday 9th October-Wednesday 11th October- Y6 residential to Robin Wood**

**Friday 13th October-Break the Rules Day**

**Week of 23rd October -Harvest food collection for Middlesbrough Food Bank**

**Wednesday 25th October-Parents Evening**

**Thursday 26th October-Parents Evening**

**Friday 17th November -Children in Need**

**Week of 6th November-Remembrance Week**

**Thursday 30th November-Christmas Fayre**

Have a great week.

Mrs Prince