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Welcome back to another school year at Gayton. You may notice that I have changed the style of writing in these newsletters, this is so that you are aware of the style we will now be using in all classes from now on. The reason we have changed to this font is that it most closely resembles the handwriting style we want our children to use. I'd also like to welcome new parents and carers and children to Gayton and say how much I'm looking forward to working with you all.

OPEN EVENINGS FOR YEAR 6 PUPILS

Landau Forte College are holding a year 6 open evening on **Wednesday 13th September at 5.30p.m.-7.30 p.m.** During the evening, there will be a talk on the admission process and some back ground information about the college followed by an opportunity to ask questions. Parents and students will be able to tour the college and visit each area to experience learning at the college. If you wish to attend, telephone Miss S Davis on 01332 204040 or register your interest on the website www.landau-forte.org.uk as soon as possible.

Derby Moor Community Sports College are also holding an Open Evening for Year 6 children and their parents on **Thursday 4th October 5 p.m.-7.30p.m.** If you would like more information, please phone Derby Moor or email: info@derbymoorsch.derby.sch.uk

Murray Park School has an Open Evening for year 5 and 6 on- **Tuesday 18 September 4-7pm**, all welcome.

Parking / Drop Off

Please can I remind you if you bring your children to school by car or use a car to collect them at the end of the day, to park with care for any children or adults who may be around and with consideration for our neighbours, so that you do not block access to people's drives. I have been asked to inform you that from today Civil Enforcement Officers will be patrolling the area and issuing Penalty Charge Notices as appropriate.

There is currently a working party involving St George's, Ridgeway Infants, Gayton Juniors, local residents and councillors to address the issues of safeguarding the children who attend the schools and also the impact increased traffic has on the local residents at peak times. This working party is a direct response to safety concerns we have with a number of parents/carers who are causing risk to children in the manner of parking and manoeuvring outside schools. There are also an increasing number of parents blocking driveways and displaying aggressive behaviour to the residents. Further communications will be shared with parents as the working party develop a strategy.

Flu Immunisation- For parents of children in year 3, 4 and 5 only

You should have received some paperwork via your child on Tuesday about Flu Immunisation. Please make sure the forms are completed and returned to school by **next Wednesday morning (19th September)**.

Fire Practice and Lockdown

We completed a fire alarm practice on Tuesday and were very pleased with the way children in all year groups responded, especially our newest children in year 3. We also intend to talk to the children about the Lockdown procedure and to have a practice some time before half term. Mrs Costema will be consulting with class teachers about any children with SEND who may need extra introductions to this procedure to ensure that they are not upset.

STAFF CHANGES

We are pleased to welcome Mrs Clark as our new Learning Mentor and Mr Chapman, Mrs George and Mrs Hans as our new Teaching Assistants. Mrs Hill is currently on Adoption Leave having welcomed Oliver as a new addition to her family. Mrs Trimbee is covering for her in Class 10.

WELCOME

Payments

Please remember that **school dinners** are now £2.20 per day or £11.00 for a full week. These should be paid for in advance and you can pay online. Ask for an on-line registration form from the School Office to register online and you will also be able to use this to pay for **school trips**.

You can also send payment into school in an envelope with your child's name and class written on it.

After school clubs run by Premier Sports or Derby County are now only bookable on line and you must pay them directly on line when you book. This half term Premier Sports are running a Gymnastics Club on a Wednesday, starting on 19th September and a Fencing Club on a Monday starting on 17th September. Contact James Jennison at Premier Sports, his email is jjennison@premier-education.com

Derby County are running a football club after school on a Friday, starting on Friday 14th September. Contact www.derbycountycommunitytrust.com to book a place.

DIARY DATES

Monday 17th September	All day	Year 6 Robot Day
Monday 24th September	9.15 a.m.	Writing Workshop year 3
Thursday 27th September	All day	Year 3 Trip to Markeaton Park
Tuesday 2nd October	8.15 a.m. onwards	Family photos (from 8.15am) Individual / sibling photos during the day
Tuesday 9th and Wednesday 10th October	All day	Stone Age Charlie in year 5
Thursday 11th October	All day	Spitfire Charlie in year 6
Tuesday 16th and Wednesday 17th October	All day	Viking Charlie in year 4
Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th October	All day	Roman Charlie in year 3
Friday 26th October	All day	Treat day End-of-half-term
HALF TERM		
Monday 5th November	All day	INSET Day, school closed to pupils
Tuesday 6th November	8.55 a.m.	School reopens

VALUE OF THE MONTH

We work hard at Gayton to ensure that not only do we teach the children the National Curriculum, we also teach them how to be lovely children who leave our school as confident, mature 11 year olds with good social skills. September is the month to demonstrate our understanding of **RESILIENCE**.

We want the children to grow up to understand that being persistent and getting the right help at the right time can help them to be successful individuals who can achieve goals they set for themselves - this has been shown to be important for good mental health.