

1st October 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have come to the end of another school week and pleased to say that the children have settled well into their new Year groups and enjoying school life.

Here are some key updates for your information:

## **SumDog**

Many congratulations to Year 2 Nottingham class for winning the Manchester Maths Sumdog competition this week. Year 6 Oxford and Year 6 London came 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. A fantastic achievement. Well done Team Temple! Let's see if we can win the Oasis Sumdog competition starting soon on 8<sup>th</sup> October.

## **Start times and Gates**

Please can you ensure that you are aware of your child's start time and drop them off **five minutes prior** to this time so they are ready to start their learning. The gate for your child's class will close 10 minutes after your child's start time. After this time, they will need to go through the main gate and your child will be registered as late. Every minute counts for your child's learning so please do aim for a prompt start time.

Year Group	Drop off time	Start Time and Location	Pick Up Time
Nursery	8:25 am	8:30 am (Nursery Gate)	Dismissal 3:00
Reception	8:45 am	8:50 am (Nursery Gate)	Gate open at 3:15/ Dismissal 3:25
Year 1	8:35 am	8:40 am (Potential Gate)	Gate open at 3:05/ Dismissal
Year 2	8:35 am	8:40 am (Potential Gate)	3:15
Year 3	8:35 am	8:40 am (Togetherness Gate)	Gate open at 3:05/ Dismissal 3:15
Year 4	8:45 am	8:50 am (Main Gate)	Gate Open at 3:15/3:25
Year 5	8:45 am	8:50 am (Togetherness Gate)	Dismissal 3:25
Year 6	8:45 am	8:50 am (Car Park Gate)	Dismissal 3:25

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**Phonics and reading workshop** - Friday 8th October at 9am in the school hall.

We would like to invite the parents of Reception, Year 1 and year 2 into school for a face to face parents workshop with Mrs Wood. We have some exciting, new phonics and reading resources that we would like to share with you and also discuss ways we can support each other in teaching children to read. We look forward to meeting you then.

## **Home Learning Handbook**

At Temple, we believe that homework is an important aspect of a child's education as it promotes independence, helps the child make further progress and promotes greater partnership with home.

Attached is our school's Home Learning Handbook which will give you information on what homework your child will be given each week.

At the start of each half-term, children from Year 1 to Year 6 will be bringing home a Discovery Box booklet linked to the History/Geography work at school. This is a new resource which the school has invested in this year. It will provide exciting activities and fun facts which you can do together at home that will help children prepare for that unit of work in school. This Discovery Box will be sent home together with Knowledge Organisers which will give you information on the key knowledge and vocabulary your children will be learning in that topic in school. We hope that both you and your child find this interesting, useful and engaging. If you need further explanation, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

Thank you for your continued support and hope you have a peaceful weekend.

Yours sincerely

Sara-Jayne Martin

Principal.