



**HARDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Long Lane  
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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a new academic year. The children all looked lovely in their new uniforms and shiny shoes. A special welcome to any new families that have joined the school this year and we hope you settle in soon.

We have been very busy over the summer holidays ensuring that the school looks refreshed for the new school year. As you may have noticed a new fence has been built in the Key stage 2 playground and ground work behind it to make it a safer area, we have moved the music room across the corridor and now have a nurture room. This room is a calming area for any child, where they can chat with staff and engage in calming activities if needed. In our upstairs work room we have put benching around the sides of the room to make the room into an ICT suite for children to practice ICT skills as a whole class. The ICT equipment has had an upgrade too. Every classroom has now got a large touch screen LCD TV that displays the computer image, new standalone computers are in each classroom, we have new laptops for the ICT suite and new ipads for the children to use. Several rooms have been painted and look cleaner and fresher.

Unfortunately we have had several residents complaining about parents parking across drives or inconsiderately. I understand that parking is difficult in the village but please be considerate when parking. The Fleece Pub is happy for parents to use their carpark in a morning but would prefer it to be kept available for their customers in the afternoon.

This term we are wanting our children to stay smart and to wear the correct uniform at all times. Please ensure that your child has the correct uniform for both PE days and other school days. Can I remind you that nail varnish, make-up or jewellery is not allowed to be worn in school and if girls wear tights they need to be black or grey only. If you need a reminder of the school uniform then you will find it on our website. If you wish to discuss this further then please talk to your class teacher.

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Celebration assembly is on this Friday at 9.00am and we look forward to seeing you there. Reception children will be joining us for assemblies later on in the half term.

Don't forget that if you have any questions then please ask a member of staff who I am sure will be willing to help you.

We look forward to another successful year.

Yours sincerely,

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