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Dear Parents and Carers

We had a great first week back to school last week. All of our new children in Reception and throughout the school settled really well within our King Ina family. We have already appointed our new House Captains and other pupil leaders will be selected over the coming weeks.

We were all saddened to hear the news of the Queen's death last week. On Friday morning we held a special collective worship when we paid tribute to the Queen. Throughout the day, the teachers worked with the children to support their feelings of sadness and to celebrate the Queen's achievements and we will continue to do this over the coming days and weeks. As we now know, there will be a bank holiday on 19th September, the day of the Queen's funeral, and all schools will be closed as a mark of respect.

We are looking forward to the term ahead and to all the learning opportunities that we have planned for the children. We are very mindful of the increase in the cost of living so we have put careful thought to activities and to requests for items/monetary contributions from home and will be trying to keep these to a minimum. Please find attached to this letter our key dates for the autumn term. Most of the dates are self-explanatory but please see below for further detail about some of the first half term's events:

Cross Country House Event – 4th October, 2pm start.

Each class will run a distance around the field suitable for their age and will be representing their houses. Parents are very welcome to attend to watch the children run and should bring something to sit on for the event. We will begin with our youngest children and work through to the Year 6 children towards the end of the afternoon. Parents are welcome to watch some or all of the races.

Harvest Celebration – 5th October

The children will celebrate Harvest with a special assembly. Unfortunately, we are unable to invite parents to this event. As we did last year, we would like the children to bring into school a non-perishable food item (tinned food and packets of food e.g. pasta) which we will give to the Lord's Larder, who distribute to food charities in the local area. Please note there is no obligation to contribute, only if you are able to and there is no expectation that each child in a family brings an item, one per family is ample. Any food items should be taken directly to the hall on the morning of 5th October.

We will write to you with further details of and timings of events taking place later in the term nearer the time, such as Parents' Evenings, topic outcome day, charity events and Christmas celebrations.

In addition to the planned events, we would like to resume more teacher-led clubs during lunchtimes and after school. I will write to you separately with details about the clubs that we will be offering the children across the academic year.

Finally, later this week, I will write to you with a copy of the school's Home School Agreement for you to read with your child and to ask them to sign and return to school.

In the meantime, thank you for your continued support

Best wishes

Mrs S Svenson
Headteacher