



'Enabling every child to fulfil his/her potential in a nurturing Christian environment.'

30th August, 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you and your family have had a lovely holiday and are eagerly anticipating the children returning to school next Tuesday, 3rd September.

I just wanted to make you aware of two things before Tuesday. For those of you who have been past the school in the last few weeks you will have noticed the staff have been extremely busy in school developing a learning environment in which the children will thrive. There is not a room within school that has not been transformed! We would therefore like to give any children and their families, who feel it would help their children settle quickly back at school/support those who are anxious, the opportunity to visit the school during our INSET day on Monday 2nd September. The school will be open for visitors from 9.30am-4.30pm, where families can explore the school independently. Staff will be available, in their rooms, to meet and greet children between 2.00-3.30pm. You do not need to book, just turn up on the day and sign in at the office.

Secondly, before the holiday I sent out a letter for parents to indicate interest in using the school mini-bus for morning pick up. (If you haven't expressed an interest yet and would like to do so please let the school office know via email: admin@utkintonce.cheshire.sch.uk). Whilst I am putting together a case for the re-introduction of the school bus morning runs for the IEB I would like to ease the congestion outside school in a morning and improve punctuality by offering parents the opportunity to drop their children off at school from 8.30am each morning, free of charge, as I will be out on duty in the playground and able to supervise the children. (When it is raining children will be allowed into the school building from 8.30am.) The morning bell, for children to line up, will be rung at 8.50am with the children entering the school building at 8.55am for registration. The school gates will be locked at 9.00am and all families after this must report to the school office to ensure their child has been signed in. Hopefully this extended drop off period will mean fewer families struggling to access the school at the same time.

Yours sincerely

Lorna Pleavin