**Friday 6th September 2024**

**Mr Hardy’s Welcome Back Message:**

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a first week we have had in school! It's been truly fantastic to be back together as a school family and hear about the adventures the children (and staff!) have had and the memories that have been made.

As always, we have lots to look forward to across this year and a full last of diary dates for the academic year will be provided early next week. Next week are our annual ‘Meet the Teacher Session’ straight after school. If you are attending, please come through the main office. The days are as follows: Monday – Y1/Y2. Tuesday – Y3/Y4. Wednesday – Y5/Y6.

This year, we will be working hard to support families with school attendance - this is a National priority and a St Helens wide priority too. As ever, we will be working closely with pupils and families this year to provide help and guidance where-ever needed. If you do receive a letter inviting you to an informal meeting in the next few weeks, I do encourage you do attend. These meetings are intended to offer support and advice only - many parents report that they feel much more informed and able to make small but important changes after the meetings.

Next week is Democracy Day (Friday 13th September) and on this day children will be voting for which pupil leadership team they would like to be in and for School Council members from each class. Any Y6 pupils who would like to put themselves forward for Head Boy or Head Girl should prepare a 'manifesto' to present in our Democracy Day assembly next week. More information will be sent home today for you to share with your child.

It's due to be wonderful weather this weekend – have a great time and we look forward to welcoming you back in school on Monday for our first full week back.



* ‘Meet the Teacher’ events next week.
* Calendar dates for the academic year to follow.
* New online newsletter!

Best wishes

Mr M Hardy

Acting Head of School.