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Dear Parent/Carer,

With school budgets continuing to be squeezed and costs rising each year, governors have looked very carefully at all expenditure over the next three years in order to ensure we remain in a financially stable and sustainable position.

School has been allocated £63,821 less income than we received last year and overall costs have increased by £116,726. So, overall, there is £180,647 less than last year.

Some difficult decisions have been made for the coming years and I wanted to take this opportunity to share some of these with you.

Uniform vouchers

Unfortunately, school will no longer be able to provide uniform vouchers to parents/carers. Continuing at previous levels would cost school a total of £24,000 over the next three years.

If any children have outgrown their current uniform then please bring into school and we can operate an exchange system.

School trips

Previously all school trips have been heavily subsidised by school. Coach travel costs, in particular, can make up between £300-£850 of the trip cost depending on how far the group are travelling. With up to 20 different trips per year going to a variety of locations, this amounts to a large sum.

Whilst school will always endeavour to keep costs as low as possible, you may start to see some small increase in costs.

Nurture

With the imminent retirement of Mrs Owen, who runs Nurture each morning, the governors have decided to close the Nurture provision due to the ongoing financial pressures.

Breakfast Club

Over many years, parents have been able to take advantage of a free-of-charge breakfast club (with a small charge for food before the current free Magic Breakfast started in January this year). The cost to school of staffing the club is over £21,600 per year.

Governors have decided that, from the start of the new academic year in September 2019, there will be a charge for attendance at breakfast club – which will cover the cost of the childcare - and food will be provided.

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Breakfast Club cont.

Parents will be asked to book and pay in advance to ensure that school can maintain adequate staff numbers.

Costs :

£2.50 per day

20% discount for weekly bookings e.g. £10 per week

25% discount for half-termly bookings e.g. £65 per 7 week half-term

20% for additional siblings e.g. £18 per week for two children, £26 for three etc;

£117 per 7 week half-term for two children, £169 for three children etc.

Please complete and return the form below to register your interest in securing a place from September. Places are limited and will be allocated on a first-come/first-served basis so please don't delay.

We thank you for your ongoing support during these difficult times and hope that, by working together for the benefit of the children, we can continue to provide a safe and nurturing environment for all our pupils.

Yours sincerely,



Susan Convery
Headteacher

.....*Please complete and return to the office.*.....

BREAKFAST CLUB FROM SEPTEMBER 2019

I would like to book my child(ren) onto the breakfast club starting in September

Child's name..... Class.....

Child's name..... Class.....

Child's name..... Class.....

Child's name..... Class.....

Child's name..... Class.....

I would like to pay weekly / half-termly / termly in advance* (delete as appropriate).

**payment arrangements will follow*

SignedParent / Carer

