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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the 2017-18 academic year. Whether you are a veteran at the school run, or a parent that is new to our school community, you are most welcome. No doubt this week has been a bit of an emotional rollercoaster with both the highs and excitement of being back at school as well as the lows of perhaps having to leave an unsettled child. Rest assured all the children are in good hands and we are looking forward to getting to know all of our new children and their families. Children thrive when we can work in partnership with one another, so any concerns or worries, please do talk to your child's class teacher. Equally if we're doing a good job, please do tell us that as well.

Every Friday morning at 9.10 am we have a **Celebration Assembly**. This is a wonderful time of sharing individual and school achievements all together. You are most welcome to join us.

Class welcome meetings: Next week there will be an opportunity for parents to go into class and learn about the routines and expectations for their child. Information will be provided on homework, use of planners (KS2), PE requirements, class timetable etc and will also allow you to ask the teachers any questions that you may have concerning the new class.

Welcome meetings are as follows:

Monday 11th September, 3.30 -4.00 pm – **Robins** (Reception and Year 1)

Tuesday 12th September 3.30 – 4.00 pm – **Kingfishers** (Year 4)

Wednesday 13th September 3.30 – 4.00 pm – **Owls** (Year 2 and 3)

Thursday 14th September 3.30 – 4.00 pm – **Eagles** (Year 5 and 6)

Quackers before and after school club will be available for children (no charge) as these meetings are primarily for parents. If you are unable to attend there will be a hand-out available.



MacMillan Coffee morning

On Friday 29th September Robins will be sharing their class assembly at 9.10 am. Following on from this there will be an opportunity for all parents, old and new, to meet one another, socialise over coffee and cake and raise money for MacMillan Cancer. We will be requesting cake donations nearer the time so be prepared! Everyone is very welcome.

Communication: I will be emailing a newsletter out every week, with important information about forthcoming events. All dates can be found on our school website: www.bishopmonkton.n-yorks.sch.uk under "Calendar of Events" so please put this in to your "favourites" to stay updated. Sometimes text messages may be used so current mobile phone numbers and email addresses are essential. Your child will be bringing home a **Calendar of Events** for the year in order for you to plan ahead. However

sometimes, due to outside circumstances, these dates may have to change but we will always endeavour to give you as much notice as possible.

School dinners: Just a reminder that school dinner accounts should be paid in full each week. Should a dinner account balance go beyond two weeks the school will request that your child has a packed lunch until the balance is paid off. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

School playground: Before and after school the agility trail and other equipment are out of bounds. This is to keep all children safe, including younger siblings. Parents are reminded to leave the school site straight after school so that children attending Quackers have full use of the playground. Thank you for your support.

Hopefully your children will have had a super, but tiring first week and will quickly settle back in to the school routine. I hope you all have a lovely weekend and look forward to welcoming you back next week.

Kind regards,



Sally A. Cowling
Headteacher



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