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Dear parents and carers

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I hope you are all well and had a nice time with your families over the October break. Already a week into term 2 the time seems to be flying by and that special time of year that teachers love the most will soon be upon us...This said there will be some small changes taking place over the course of the term and I will try my best to keep you all posted whenever these happen.

Firstly, we are making some changes to the exit plans at the end of the school day for all the children in the primary school, **pick up plans for children in the early years centre are unchanged.** As of this Monday, 28th October, pupils in **P5, 6 and 7** will all exit via the **ramp and main stairs** at the front of the school. **P1-4 Pupils** will continue to leave from the same **exit as before**. This is in consultation with the parent partnership, staff and pupils and should hopefully increase safety and visibility as children exit the school.

With this in mind, can all parents please stay out of the playground from now on at the end of the school day to help visibility and help maintain clear walkways for the children as they leave. P1/2 pupils will be asked to make their teacher aware of who is collecting them before they can leave. I have also asked the pupils to keep off the EYC equipment to help preserve its condition. A further reminder that the zig zag lines should be kept clear of vehicles **AT ALL TIMES.**

Secondly, we introduced the pupils to some **new positive behaviour initiatives** today, based around celebrating individual successes both in and out of school, as well as team successes which will be achieved through the school house system. These plans will also come into play as of Monday, with a more detailed explanation available on the website by the end of next week – we will text the link when this is available.

Finally, can I just thank you all again for the continued support and please contact the school if you have any concerns, queries or ideas to help make the school as brilliant as possible.

Best wishes

Andrew Hislop Head Teacher