



Dear Parents and Carers,

It was lovely to see so many of you this morning, thank you for taking the time to come and meet with us. We shared a little of our background as well as our vision for the school in the months ahead. We shared it under the title the *St Joseph's REBOOT*:

- **Relationships** – We want to build excellent relationships across our community because everything else follows from a trusting partnership – that's why you see us on the gate every day!
- **Environment** – We want an excellent environment for our children to flourish. Physically with a calm, tidy, learning environment and spaces to inspire such as our new libraries and music room. But also, in our school's culture. We want to work with you to understand what you want St Joseph's to be for your child – we will seek your views very soon!
- **Behaviour** – We want to see excellent behaviour. No child is perfect (I think any parent can agree with that!) and it is our responsibility to support them and teach them how to behave in all situations. If and when your teacher speaks to you about behaviour, it is to work with you to support your child in their learning...and never a judgement on your success as a parent! Children need to be taught how to behave, just like they need to be taught reading, writing and maths.
- **Outcomes** – We want excellent outcomes for every child. It is our responsibility to educate your child, and we will work tirelessly to support the teaching staff to see every child succeed. All we ask of you is make sure they are here - everyday! Attendance matters – every child must be here to ensure that they get the best start to life. Research shows that good attendance leads to good qualifications. The government have recently updated their guidance and fines for being out of school can grow up to £2,500 for non-attendance. Work with us to avoid high fines and get children in to school where they can reach their potential throughout their school years.
- **Outstanding** – We want to provide an outstanding education for our children. We will be relentless in our pursuit of excellence, and we will work with the staff team in the months and years ahead to see our schools go from strength to strength.
- **Together** – We want to be part of building this brilliant school together. We can't do it on our own – we need your help! Schools thrive in good partnerships between staff and parents. We will also be working increasingly closely as two schools together whilst we are two schools, we are committed to it being one journey from Nursery to Year 6.

**READY**  
LEARN AND LET OTHERS LEARN

**RESPECTFUL**  
KIND WORDS AND KIND ACTIONS

**SAFE**  
BE HONEST AND SAFE



Our new behaviour code is part of our commitment to support all our children to succeed this year. It will frame our discussions with the children both when they do something brilliantly, and when they need support to reflect on their behaviour.



### **Food Glorious Food!**

As a school we teach the whole child – not just all those important academic areas of learning but we teach healthy habits too. And I really mustn't let another week go by without mentioning snacks and packed lunches. Children all have different likes and dislikes but I want us to work towards making sure snacks and packed lunches are healthier than what we are seeing in many lunchboxes so far this term. Keep it in mind in your shop this weekend and we will see how we might support later in the term.

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### **Infant School Pick Up**

Thank you for speaking to us on the gate about some of the busyness at pick up in the infant playground. Oak class (Y2) will be dismissed from the cloakroom door from now on to help spread out the pick up locations. We shall see if that helps make enough of a difference!

We will keep listening and keep working on our processes until we are a super slick operation!

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Thank you again for such a warm welcome. Mrs Chamberlin and I feel very lucky to have found such a friendly school community.

Have a lovely weekend,  
Mr Chamberlin  
Executive Headteacher