



Term 1-2024-2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to a new school year! I hope that the summer went well for you and that you were able to enjoy some sunshine with family and friends.

I know that many pupils enjoyed our Holiday Club this year, which provided a safe environment for children to see friends and have fun. We offered over 125 places and my thanks go to Keari and her team for delivering a great experience for all children who attended. We will be evaluating the Summer Holiday Club within the coming weeks and would be grateful for any feed-back you have (please email office@glynegap.org). There will be more information about Holiday Clubs at Parents/Carers Evening.

It is always a great joy to welcome new Reception pupils to school and this year we welcome Dantae, Fraser, Rosie, Jude, Myla-Mae, Renee, Ernie, Taylor, Arthur, Evie, Morgan, Ronnie, Imogen, Ben and Koa to their Reception year. There are some photos on the next page of some of these pupils enjoying their first day at school. We also welcome Talya and Seif to school and I look forward to seeing them in class this week. In addition, we have a number of pupils joining our Nursery and I so look forward to seeing how these children progress over the coming months.

The main school site is always purposeful and busy and it will be busier than usual for the first 6 weeks of term as we have 2 classes from our post 16 facility on the main school site whilst building works are completed on their new accommodation, Glyne Gap College, which is on Dorset Road in Bexhill. We are able to accommodate this change and run a full curriculum for all pupils. The most notable impact may be in the amount of traffic that is accessing the school site at start and end of day. Mike (Site Manager) ensures this is managed safely and I thank those of you who 'do the school run' in advance for your tolerance of any delay at these times.

Class teachers will be writing to you in the next fortnight to share termly goals, class topics and important dates. These letters will include ways in which you can support learning at home and I thank you for continuing to work in partnership with school to ensure your child's continued progress.

If you have any questions about what your child is doing at school over term 1 or any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher. You can do this via your child's home/school book, via e mail or by calling the school. You will understand that teachers are not usually able to take calls during the day but our office team will always take a message and your child's teacher will call you back. In addition, there will be an opportunity for you to meet with your child's class teacher at Parents/Carers Evening at the end of the month (further details to follow).

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is Jayne Gosling. If you have any safeguarding concerns, Jayne can be contacted at jayne.gosling@glynegap.org or via the school office on 01424 217720.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns and I look forward to seeing you in school soon.

Kind regards,

# It's Great to be Back!

It really is great to be back at school and the weather has been kind to us today and pupils have been enjoying the sunshine. Here you can see new Reception pupils Evie, Taylor and Renee enjoying their new surroundings in Seagulls class. All pupils have settled in very well back to school and we are looking forward to an action packed term ahead!







# News and Useful Information.....

**School Office** 

If you have any general questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact the School Office on tel. 01424 217720. Emma, Toni and Veronique are all based in the office/school reception and will be very happy to help.



Emma Richardson School Receptionist



Toni Muceku School Secretary



Veronique Pullen PA to Kirsty Prawanna

# **School Dinners**

School dinners cost £2.97 and are free to all pupils in Reception, Yr.1 and Yr.2. If you would like your child to have school dinners please contact Jo Dauti on :

Tel: 01424 217720

#### **Medical Forms**

Annual medical forms and Health and Wellbeing leaflet will be sent home in your child's Home/School book at the end of this week. Please be sure to return completed forms (in your child's Home/School book) by Friday 13th September at the latest. Thank you.

## Sickness



If your child is poorly and will not be attending school, please call the School Office on 01424 217720 by 9.30am to ensure their class is aware that your child is ill and will not be attending school.

We cannot accept messages regarding absences via Transport services (i.e. your child's escort or driver).

Thank you.

### Dates for your diary

Half term 28th October — 1st Nov.

Christmas Holidays 23rd December—3rd Jan.



The sun is out and it's great that pupils are enjoying all our outdoor spaces. Please ensure your child brings a hat and sun lotion into school whilst the sun is still so strong. Thank you.