



The Apple

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Dear Parents/Carers

It has been an incredibly busy first week back at school in which we received our **first visit from Her Majesty's Inspectorate** (HMI) following our OfSTED report. The visit was extremely positive as the Inspector recognised both the progress that has been made and the hard work of all staff. There is still a lot for us to work on, but we are on track and were pleased with the feedback that was given. The Inspector will write a letter about the visit and we will hold a **parents meeting within a week of it arriving**. The letter will be available on the OfSTED website and we will let you know as soon as it is published!

The Year 1s visited St Wulfram's Church on Wednesday. This was a great visit allowing the pupils to understand more about the church building and the people who work there. We were extremely proud of the way in which they behaved.

The new website is now up and running and has links for Facebook and Twitter. The idea is that you use these so that you can see as and when the website is updated. It is great to see that so many of you have liked the Facebook page already. This is simply to keep you up to date and is not intended to be a discussion forum.

Finally, please read the other side of this letter. We are going to have a Mr Man/Little Miss theme for world book day next Thursday. We had intended to notify you early this week but the visit of the Inspector required our full attention. Please do not feel as though you need to go over the top with costumes (of course if you want to then that is fine). We chose Mr Men because they are easy to create with cardboard/cardboard boxes. As it says on the letter – the more involved the children are in creating them the better they look!

Thank you all for the way in which you have adapted to the new procedures for arriving in the morning. We know that it is not perfect, however the short term pain will be worth it when the building is complete.

Paul Hill
Headteacher

Building

The building works are now under way and it has been an excellent start. We are monitoring the work during the day to ensure that it does not impact on the pupils' learning. The demolition was deliberately completed during the holiday so that the noisiest part of the works did not disturb the children.

School Council – Tuck Shop

The School Council will be relaunching the Tuck Shop on Friday. It will be for pupils in Years 3-6 and they will be stocking crisp for 30p and cereal bars/dried fruit for 20p. Children will be allowed to buy 1 item.

Swimarathon

Just a quick reminder that Swimarathon money needs to be paid to the school office by Wednesday 26th March. We will then be able to send it to the rotary club. Thank you again to all of those who participated.