

14<sup>th</sup> October 2020

Dear Parents & Carers,

We hope that you are all well and coping with the every changing rules and regulations linked to the Covid-19 pandemic. Thank you for all your support this half term in helping us to get children back to their learning in school which has gone very well.

#### **Email problems**

At the end of last week, we became aware of a problem with the parent email system that we use to send letters to those parents who request electronic mail. Although the system has been indicating that messages have been sent, we have subsequently been told that a range of emails dating from late September until present have failed to actually send. We sincerely apologise about this and are working with the company who provide the service to get the problem rectified.

In the meantime, paper copies of any important missed information or new letters will be sent out to ensure information is passed on and until we are sure the problem is fixed. Once again our apologies.

#### **End of half term reminder**

The last day of school for children before the half term holiday is Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October. There is no school on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> due to a staff training day taking place. We re-open on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. The same staggered start times will apply please.

#### **School Photographs**

At this time of year, we normally have a school photographer due to be in school taking individual and family photos. Due to the current restrictions, this has been postponed until the Spring term. We will let you know once a new date has been arranged.

#### **Parent Consultation Meetings**

As we are currently unable to hold parent consultation evenings, we will instead be offering the opportunity for a telephone-based update with your child's current class teacher. These will take place during weeks commencing 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> November and provide an opportunity for you to get an update on progress and targets from the school year to date. Please watch out for a letter at the start of next half term. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Please do keep an eye on our social media account for up to date news and photos and also look out for the latest Northern Star Academies Trust Newsletter, which includes an article about Starbeck and will be sent out before the end of term.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher