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Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to school and to the summer term. I hope you all had a peaceful and happy holiday.

### **Attendance Update.**

Last week the attendance in KS1 and KS2 was **95.6%** This was a noticeable improvement on the attendance at the end of last term. The figure is just below the minimum expected. I am hopeful that we will see continued improvements across this term.

#### **The following classes had the best in attendance in KS1 & KS2 this week:**

- **KS1:** Karlsson Class 100%. This is an excellent start to the new term. Well done!
- **KS2:** Jalloh Class 100%. Congratulation to you all. This is excellent!

#### **Here is the attendance for the other classes:**

- ❖ **KS1:** Hughes Class **98.4%** Kelly Class **91.2%**; McGivern Class **88.9%**.
- ❖ **KS2:** Alecock Class **94.3%**; Alikhan Class **95.3%**; Clemson Class **98.5%**; Golden Class **94%** Brunette Class **95.6%**.

### **Punctuality Update.**

There were **21 late** arrivals at Falconbrook last week. This was an improvement from the end of last term when there were 53 late arrivals. **Well done to everyone who has improved their punctuality. Keep it up!**

#### **The following classes had the best punctuality last week:**

1. In KS1: **Hughes Class** with **0 late** arrivals.
2. In KS2: **Alecock Class** and **Golden Class** with **0 late** arrivals.

#### **Below is the number of late arrivals in the rest of the classes:**

- **KS1:** Karlsson Class **2 lates**; McGivern Class **4 lates**; Kelly Class **2 lates**
- **KS2:** Jalloh Class **1 late**; Alikhan Class **5 lates**; Clemson Class **7 lates**; Brunette Class **2 lates**.

## Governor Recruitment

This half term we are hoping to complete the parent governor selection process. There are three candidates who are interested in the position.

On **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May at 9am-9.40am** the candidates and I will hold a meeting for parents. The purpose of this meeting is so that parents meet the candidates and hear from them why they are interested in becoming a Falconbrook School Governor. Following this meeting parents will have the opportunity to vote for their preferred candidate.

I will confirm the time and date of this meeting in my next newsletter. In the meantime here are some questions that I have recently been asked:

### What is a parent governor?

- ❖ A parent governor is a member of the school's governing board. At Falconbrook this is a group of 12 people who work as part of a group, with the Head Teacher. Together they provide strategic leadership and maintain an oversight of the educational and financial performance of the school.

### How does a parent governor become appointed?

- ❖ They volunteer for the position and are then elected by the parents of the school.

### What does a parent governor need to do to be successful?

- ❖ Support the school's vision and ethos and be committed to working in liaison with the rest of the governing board. Attend meetings and visits to the school as arranged by the Head Teacher. Uphold the collective decisions of the whole governing board.

### Does the parent governor provide a link between parents and the school / Head Teacher?

- ❖ No. This is not the role of a parent governor.

### Are governors involved in any of the organisation of, or arrangements for the school?

- ❖ No. This is not part of the governors' role.

### Can a parent governor make any changes to the school or the curriculum?

- ❖ No. This is not the role of the governors.

***If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to ask me.***

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