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Monday 1st September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you and your families have enjoyed a wonderful summer break and that you have enjoyed the sunny weather, either at home or further afield. It has been a busy summer at school, with many improvements taking place which include new flooring and carpets, the completion of internal building work, new furniture in classrooms, a wonderful new playhouse for Early Years and a new side gate to strengthen our safeguarding measures. A huge thank you to the Friends of Himbleton for their generosity in funding these projects and coordinating the installations.

As a result, the school is looking very smart and ready for the children's return and we are very much looking forward to welcoming them back to school on Wednesday 3rd September 2025.

Children should return in their full, correct summer uniform. As the term progresses, we will keep an eye on the weather and if it turns colder, the option of moving into winter uniform before the October half term holiday will be offered as we did last year. Class teachers will be in touch regarding PE lessons and Forest School sessions once timetables have been finalised

Please ensure that any lunch orders are completed by 9.00am on Wednesday morning at the latest.

Breakfast Club and after school care are available to all children from the first day of term. Booking forms are available to download on the website; alternatively please contact Mrs Stewart by email to book a slot. We are delighted that this year, our after school care will be run by Delta Sports and Coaching who have been working closely with the school to ensure that children's after school provision enables them to have an enjoyable experience with lots of exciting and engaging activities.

Our after-school clubs will begin in the week commencing Monday 22nd September. These will be run by school staff and Delta Sports and Coaching, as last year. Further details, including how to sign up, will be sent out later this week so that bookings can be made and places secured.

This term we are excited to be introducing a new phonics and reading scheme, Little Wandle, which will support children's reading and writing skills for all children, but particularly in Early Years and Key Stage 1. During the first week, all children from Year 1 to Year 6 will be assessed to establish baselines of knowledge and to ensure that children do not have any gaps in their phonological knowledge.

Information and guidance for parents and carers will follow to help you support your child with this at home, if relevant.

After a long summer, we are looking forward to a busy but exciting term ahead. Dates for the Autumn Term are being finalised and will be sent home on Wednesday. Dates will also be available on the Calendar page of our school website which is updated regularly. If there are any changes to planned

dates, we will let you know as soon as possible. In addition, we will also be sending home a Parent and Carer Handbook in the next few days; this contains information which we hope you will find useful throughout the year.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We cannot wait to see everyone back in school on Wednesday.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Mrs Shaw', written in black ink.

Mrs Shaw

Headteacher