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Dear Parents, and Carers,

Welcome to our first ARP newsletter of the 2024-25 academic year. I hope that you have all had a lovely holiday and managed to enjoy the weather and have a break.

This week we have welcomed back all the students in the ARP, and they have settled well in their classes. Two new students have joined us and they are already beginning to become familiar with their new environments and routines. We have been joined by some new Learning Support Staff and are looking forward to seeing students and staff reconnecting and developing new relationships.

For the first part of the Autumn Term, our topic is Me and My Senses. We will be making cross-curricular links to teach English, Maths, Science, Humanities, PSHE, RE, Art, Food Therapy, and P.E. lessons around this topic.

Swimming lessons will resume on **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September.** Please remember to send your child in with a swimming kit on this day. This must include a swimming trunks/costume, a towel, and a swimming hat. PE will be on Wednesdays this year and we would like the children to change into a PE kit as part of their life skills education. Therefore, please ensure your child brings a PE kit to school on that day.

As part of the curriculum, the children will receive specialised interventions from outside agencies and participate in a life skills programme. The children will receive support from the Speech and Language Therapist and Educational Psychologist. The collaborative work between the school and external agencies was extremely effective last year. It had a positive impact in promoting the children's development and we aim to continue this success this year.

We would also like to take this opportunity to emphasise the importance of collaborative work between the school, parents, and external agencies. We will be sending your child home with a home-school communication book so that information can be shared between school and home frequently. Moreover, we encourage you to share a book with your child at home to continue to support the development of their reading skills and their love of reading.

Thank you for your ongoing support as we work in partnership to support your child.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or require further information.

Kind regards,

Nicola John, Sharon Ward, and the ARP Team













