Dear Parents,

Having sent the calendar for this term out to you yesterday, I would like to draw your attention to a number of events that are happening over the next few weeks.

1. **Parent Welcome Evening: Wednesday 16th September, 6.00-7.15pm**

Firstly, I look forward to welcoming you to our Parents’ Welcome Evening on Wednesday 16th September at 6pm, where I will run a short presentation, setting out our plans, targets and challenges for the year ahead. This will be followed, at 7.30pm but the PTA’s Annual General Meeting, which all parents are invited to attend, in order to hear about the exciting fundraising plans the team have for the coming year. You do not need to return a slip for this event, but can just turn up on the night. Refreshments will be available.

2. **Volunteer Parent Helper Session: Friday 18th September, 9.00-9.45am**

We are keen to encourage as many parents as possible to come in and support the children’s learning in a variety of ways in school this year. Whether you can come in regularly each week to help or would be happier to have a more *ad hoc* arrangement with us, we want you!

Mr Milne and I will be running a short training session on **Friday 18th September**, at 9am in the ICT suite (the venue may change if we have a lot of parents sign up for this session). We will take you through the various different ways in which we would like your help, and will focus primarily on listening to readers across the school. We will also inform you of certain safeguarding measures we have in place.

Coffee and tea will be available.

If you would like to attend this session, please return the first slip overleaf by **Tuesday 15th September**.
3. Parent Reading Workshop Evening: Wednesday 30th September, 7.00-8.30pm

On **Wednesday 30th September at 7pm**, we will be holding an evening reading workshop for all parents. There will be a short presentation about how we approach reading in school, followed by an opportunity for you to see a range of reading activities that take place across the school and a chance to chat informally to the teachers about reading.

A ‘Top Ten Tips on Helping Your Child with Reading’ will be available for you to take away on the evening.

The session will run from 7pm to 8.30pm. There will be refreshments available.

This promises to be a lively and informative evening and we look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible.

Please return the second slip overleaf by **Friday 25th September**.

Yours sincerely,

Sarah Stokes
Volunteer Parent Helper Session

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Parent Reading Workshop

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