



## Reaching for the Stars !

12th November 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to update you on a number of issues which currently are of interest to School and we would like to keep you informed of :

- Mrs Wickstone will be returning on 17th November and on medical advice this will be a phased return which means that she will be sharing the teaching responsibilities for the class until 15th December 2021. Mrs Wickstone will teach the class on Mondays, Wednesdays and Friday mornings ( afternoons will be delivered by Fabulous Friday staff in line with other classes for the day. Mrs McVay will teach the class on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We are very grateful to Mrs McVay for covering the class for a longer period than expected.
- Next Thursday we will participate in the ' Children in Need ' annual appeal by coming to school in our PJs ( School Council decision ) and paying at least £1 for the privilege. We hope everyone can support this popular event that supports a number of home based charities across the country.
- Congratulations to Ms Risk who had a lovely bouncing baby girl ( Iris )recently , we wish her all the very best for her maternity leave from everyone at Davyhulme Primary.
- We love dogs at our school and we know that a number of families have acquired a dog during the pandemic and may acquire one coming up to Christmas but our policy remains the same , primarily for health and safety reasons. There are no dogs allowed on the premises with the following exceptions;

Guide Dogs - Therapy dogs - and those given special permission by the head teacher , which is a very short list.

We know your dogs are super cute ( particularly puppies ) but we cannot allow dogs on the premises as we have a number of children and some adults who are very anxious around dogs. We are using our own therapy dog to help those children overcome those anxieties and give others the confidence to be around dogs within a very controlled environment. However nice and cute your dog is within your family setting and environment, there is no way that School can accept responsibility for all the numerous breeds and characters that are out there, so please help us and support us by keeping your dog off the school site ( even if they are tucked under your coat ! ).

Yours sincerely,

Mr P McDowell