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Dear parents and carers,

Please find below some essential information about the next academic year 2022/23. If anyone has any questions about this, please feel free to email me directly at headteacher@featherstone.uwmat.co.uk. Included below is:

- Teacher allocation for next year
- Term dates for next year
- Collection and drop off changes

Teacher allocation

All children will have opportunities to meet their new teacher and there will be a detailed handover from previous teachers. We are of course mainly focused on the fact that children still have 4 weeks of term. I am pleased to welcome new members to our teaching team, I know all will make them feel very welcome:

- Mrs Kate Steatham will be the school's new Deputy Headteacher and SENCO
- Mr Nathan Briley will be the new Assistant Headteacher
- Anna Smith and Danielle Davis are new additions as class teachers

All appointees have been through rigorous recruitment processes and the demand for all roles was significant with over 10 applications for each role, so I am really pleased with the calibre of staff joining our team next year. Beyond the lead practitioner/class teacher, staffing cannot be confirmed as this will be flexible and we are still awaiting some recruitment of more support staff. All new staff are new to UWMAT also, so we are welcoming them to the Academy Trust also.

Year Group	Lead Practitioner
Little Learners	Mrs Isla Harvey
Nursery	Mrs Trudy Nicholls
Reception	Mrs Chloe Lucas (formerly Miss Chilton)
1	Miss Anna Smith
2	Miss Rosie Tkaczuk
3	Mr James Dudley
4	Miss Danielle Davis
5	Mr Ryan Williams
6	Mr Nathan Briley (AHT)

Term dates

Autumn Term 2022

Inset day: Monday 5 September

Tuesday 6 September

Term starts: Wednesday 7 September

Holiday: Monday 24 October – Friday 28 October

Term ends: Friday 16 December

Holiday: Monday 19 December – Monday 2 January

Spring Term 2023

Inset day: Tuesday 3 January

Term starts: Wednesday 4 January

Holiday: Monday 20 February – Friday 24 February

Term ends: Friday 31 March

Holiday: Monday 3 April – Friday 14 April

Easter Sunday: Sunday 9 April

Summer Term 2023

Term starts: Monday 17 April

May Day: Monday 1 May

Holiday: Monday 29 May – Friday 2 June

Term ends: Friday 21 July

Inset Day: Monday 24 July

Inset Day: Tuesday 25 July

Holiday: Wednesday 26 July – Friday 1 September

Collection and drop off arrangements – effective from September ONLY

There will be no more soft starts. As a result of government legislation we are legally required to extend the school day.

Nursery: 09:00 – Midday OR 15:00 – Drop off and collection will continue to be from nursery

Reception: 08:55 – 15:25 – Drop and collection will continue to be from the Reception Classroom

Years 1 – 6: 08:50 – 15:20 – The gate will open at 08:45 and teachers will be ready for children to line up on the **KS2 playground by the field** and they will go inside together as a class at this

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time. For collection, parents will come onto the school playground and teachers will dismiss their classes 1 by 1. For year 6 (and others where appropriate and agreed) consent can be given for children to be released without a parent present, these will be released first.

Arrivals after the designated start time will need to come through the school office and will be marked as late.

Kind regards
Adam Gatrad