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*"Barnabas, the Encourager"*

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Dear Parents/Carers

### **Parents' Evenings**

These will be held on the following dates/times:

- Tuesday 24th October 3:20pm - 6pm
- Thursday 26th October 4pm - 7pm

We encourage you to come in to discuss the progress your child has made and their next steps in a 10 minute appointment with your child's class teacher.

We are now asking you to book appointments online using the link below:

<https://stbarnabasyork.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/v2/>

If you are unable to access the internet or you have problems using this booking system please pop in at the office who will be able to book you an appointment in the system.

**Stay and Play** – Your child (**aged 3 or above**) can drop in at the After School Club to play while you attend your appointment. This will be free of charge.

### **Our Schools App**

Some of you have told us that this app isn't working however we cannot see any problems with it. Please let us know if your problems continue and we will do our best to help.

### **Parent Governor Election**

Thank you to those of you who have taken the time to vote. The voting closes at 3:15pm today so please return your ballot papers to the office before then. The results of the vote will be announced on Thursday or Friday this week

### **Earrings**

Our policy is that children need to take out earrings for PE lessons for health and safety reasons. This is standard policy in all schools. School staff cannot take out children's earrings. If your child is unable to take out their own earrings please ensure they do not wear them on PE days (detailed on class newsletters). If children are still in the 6 week window after the piercing has taken place they may leave them in but parents need to ensure that they bring in plasters to cover their earrings. We do not want to prevent children from doing this important lesson as a result of not being able to remove earrings.

### **Walking Wednesdays**

Well done to everyone who made a special effort to travel actively to school on a Wednesday. Last week, Anderson class had the most children travelling actively to school with 91%. This week's winners will be announced on Friday in assembly.

Please remember that children must not ride their bikes and scooters on the playground or the path leading to it for safety reasons. They should get off at the school gate. Children have been reminded of this too.

### **Large Play Equipment**

We ask that you do not let children play on this equipment before and after school. We have clear rules for using it in school times to ensure everyone's safety and we also close it when the ground/ equipment is wet or muddy. We have observed children using it in an unsafe manner before and after school and without supervision which gives them mixed messages about using the equipment. Thank you for your support with this.

### **Parent Pay**

There have been some problems with Parent Pay nationally this week which are beyond our control. Apologies if you have been affected by this.

If you have missed any letters, copies of all whole school letters sent out can found on our website in the section 'Parents' – 'Letters'. Class newsletters can be found in the section 'Our Curriculum' - 'This term we are learning..'.

Yours sincerely

Miss K Boardman

Headteacher