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Dear Parents and Carers

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Welcome back to the new school year. I hope you all had an enjoyable summer break, we certainly had some lovely sunny weather during the 6 weeks holiday.

This is a very busy time for the school and there is extensive building work still going on. We really appreciate your patience whilst you navigate your way around the site to drop off and pick up your children. School staff will be on hand in the mornings to direct you. We hope that the work to build us new classrooms will be finished by the end of December.

It was a pleasure greeting you all this morning at the gate; the children looked very smart in their uniform and were happy (I hope) to be back at school. It is an exciting time in the school with new and existing staff working together to ensure your children get the very best education they can.

Please visit our new look website (www.whitmore-pri.essex.sch.uk) where you will find an abundance of information about the school, including curriculum information and maps so that you know what your child is learning this year as well as a calendar where you will find the dates and times of school events.

I will be sending out some surveys in the next few weeks about travel and uniform, look out for these and please fill them in. Your comments are greatly appreciated.

We are going to start to become a paperless school as much as we can, sending letters and newsletters by e-mail as PDF documents which can be read on smart phones and tablets. A form is attached to this letter for you to fill in your details and return them to your child's class teacher.

Lastly, as you know we were aiming for a 1st September conversion to academy status but the Department for Education have said it will be 1st October. This will not affect the plans we have made to work with the Berlesduna Academy Trust which have begun as planned at the start of term. The Interim Executive Board will work with me, the school staff and Mr Tobin the Executive Headteacher until conversion when a new local governing body will be formed.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Nina Kemp
Headteacher

