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Dear Parent/Carers,

As we are now entering the final week of the long six-week holidays; I just wanted to take the opportunity to say how excited we are to see all of our wonderful children return to, or start, school.

Over the summer break there has been a lot of freshening up around school:

- new carpets throughout
- all areas are freshly decorated
- new furniture for all year groups, including a total revamp of the Reception class

As well as these there has also been a start to improving the outdoor areas. I am sure that when you see the school you will agree that it looks lovely following its 'facelift' and be as proud of our school as we all are.

The school makeover is only one step towards ensuring St Leonard's is an outstanding school. This year there are a few subtle changes around expectations for pupil appearance. As I stated at the end of July, the school uniform must be worn at all times (please see the new school website for more details (School Uniform, Jewellery and Hair Styles (stleonardsprimary.org.uk)). There is a greater emphasis on pupils taking pride in their appearance and this includes the need to ensure shirts are tucked in at all times; to be an outstanding school, there needs to be a consistency in expectations for all pupils.

Please ensure that children do not wear jewellery of any sort (with the exception of a basic watch) and that hair styles are smart and not extreme, i.e. not shaved and no lines. If your child(ren) has long hair, this must be tied up at all times. If you need any clarification around these points, please contact the school office.

I am truly excited about the coming year and look forward to working closely with each and every one of you to ensure that all children at St Leonard's receive the best education and experiences possible and reach their true potential. In working together, we will ensure that the St Leonard's community grows from strength to strength.

Enjoy the last few days and I will see you when we reopen on Tuesday 6th September, 2022.

Kindest regards,

Mrs Dionne Dunn

Headteacher

