21st September 2018 Dear Parents/Guardians,

I would like to welcome everyone back to St Richard’s for the start of a new academic year. I would particularly like to welcome our new parents. I am sure your children will settle quickly, make good progress and thoroughly enjoy their time at St Richard’s. If you do have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact the class teacher or make an appointment to see me.

The children have made an excellent start. As I walk around the classes the children are working hard and obviously enjoying returning to school and seeing their friends. Many thanks for ensuring the children are in full uniform and they all look extremely smart.

During the next few week teachers will be establishing routines, homework and PE timetables will be issued. Please ensure all homework is completed and the children have the correct PE/swimming kit on the relevant days. Also, please ensure children always bring a coat to school.

Dinner money is £11 per week and must be paid IN ADVANCE. Please put the money in an envelope with your child’s name, class and amount of money in the envelope and post it in the post box in the Reception area.

It is very important we have up to date contact details, if you change your phone number or address please let the office know as soon as possible. We also need an additional contact number in case we cannot contact you.

The curriculum your children will be following is posted on the school website [www.st](http://www.st)-richards.manchester.sch.uk. As the year progresses examples of the children’s work and photographs will be on the website so please access it as you will find a lots of useful information.

The school has received some very exciting news this month, as we have been included in this year’s PARLIAMENTARY REVIEW for Primary Schools. We have been chosen for our outstanding practice in many areas. The school’s profile is part of a reporting document that every school in the North West of England will receive. There is also a foreword by the Prime Minister, Theresa May and the Secretary of State for Education, Damian Hinds.

You can see the whole report on-line at [www.theparliamentaryreview.co.uk](http://www.theparliamentaryreview.co.uk) under the section Primary Schools (Greater Manchester). We are very proud of this achievement. Well done to everyone.

Kind regards,

J. Keyworth