

23<sup>rd</sup> September 2021

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## Volunteer Helpers

Dear parents/carers,

We would like to invite any interested parents, carers or grandparents to join us as regular volunteer helpers in school. It is a great way to show your support for the school and get to know us too. Schools that have a strong volunteer base tend to perform better. Research has also shown that children of a school volunteer are better behaved and have good attendance. In addition, there are so many demands placed on school with limited financial resources. Any volunteer effort can help bridge that gap at no additional cost. Crucially, taking tasks away from staff frees them up to do what they do best—educate our children.

The roles we would like to offer are:

- **Reading Angels** (hearing children read 1:1 - preferable for an hour slot or more, any time 9:00-11:45am or 1:00-3:00pm, Mon to Fri)
- **Friends of Forest School** (at least two volunteers needed per session – each session is half a day, Tuesday to Thursday)
- **Lead Librarians** (supervising children swapping and choosing books - afternoon sessions Mon to Fri).

Please be aware that you may not be allocated to your own child's class.

If you would like to volunteer, please email the office by **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October**, indicating:

- **Day**
- **Time**
- **Role**

We will then collate the information and get back to you to confirm and let you know which documents you will need to bring in as part of our safeguarding protocol (DBS).

We ask that, if you do volunteer, you are able to make a weekly commitment for this term at least.

We look forward to seeing some of you around school soon!

Kind regards,

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