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I AM STRONG THROUGH JESUS CHRIST

TO THE BEST THAT I CAN BE

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Friday 9th October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers;
The 'false summer' of autumn has now passed, and there was a chill in the air this week. Please make sure that your child has a warm coat for school. We have noticed that some children who travel by car arrive without one, which makes break and lunch times a challenge.

Safeguarding – what is cuckooing?
Cuckooing is when criminals move into a house and use it for illegal purposes. The trust of the resident is often gained by favours including gifts and money. Often the person is vulnerable. If you are worried about activity in a home near you and suspect that a person might be taken advantage of in this way, raise your concerns with the police:
https://crimestoppers-uk.org

Religious Life of the school
It was a pleasure to welcome Father George to the school on Tuesday morning for the annual blessing and commemoration of St Cyprian. Father George spoke to the children about the importance of faith in difficult times and being brave.
We also welcome Ms Eleni Petrides, who is the President of the Ladies' Auxiliary Committee at St Constantine and St Helen. Ms Petrides is building community projects and would like our children to be involved. We look forward to some great collaborations as we move towards Christmas.

Class Assemblies
It was the turn of Samos Class yesterday to share an assembly with the school. It was really interesting to learn about the contributions that Samos has made to the world, including Pythagoras and Aesop.
The forthcoming assemblies are 15th October – Ithaca and 22nd October - Zakynthos.

School Council
Our School Council members are leading on the organisation of our collection for Harvest Festival. This year, all items collected will be donated to the Olive Branch Charity via Mrs Palmas.
Please bring in long life food items in tins and dry packets, toiletries, pasta, rice, sauces, tea, coffee, sugar and other useful things to your child's class.

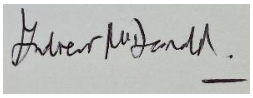
Poem of the week
This week the poem matches the season – the timeless 'To Autumn' by John Keats. Even if the children do not understand all the vocabulary, it is a joy to read aloud and savour the sound of the words.
https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poems/44484/to-autumn

Sports results
On Wednesday afternoon our football team played Laleham Lea in the Small Schools' Cup and won 8-3. I was lucky to be able to see the second half and everyone played really well. Congratulations to all.

Community Action - World Mental Health Day
It was wonderful to see children wearing some yellow today to show solidarity with those experiencing mental health troubles.
If you would like to make a donation to help, you can do via the Young Minds Hello Yellow website: https://fundraise.youngminds.org.uk/event/hello-yellow/donate

Golden Book
Congratulations to the following children this week who have been selected for outstanding achievement, perseverance or behaviour: Antonis in Skiathos Class, Nel in Santorini Class, Luka in Zakynthos Class, Maxina in Ithaca Class, Juana in Samos Class, and Major in Kalymnos Class. The Headteacher's Award is for Raphael in Zakynthos Class. The Starlight Room award goes to Samuel in Ithaca Class.

I wish you a restful weekend.
Yours faithfully,



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