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Dear Families,

Today, all students have been issued with a reusable water bottle.

From now on, having a water bottle will form part of the standard equipment that students are expected to bring to school each day. Students may use the bottle provided by the school or bring another suitable reusable water bottle if they prefer. As water bottles will now be considered essential daily equipment, we recommend that students have a school bag that can comfortably accommodate any books, stationery, equipment and their water bottle.

Students will be able to refill their water bottles before and after school, as well as during break and lunchtime, ensuring that they have access to drinking water throughout the day.

Staying hydrated is extremely important for effective learning. Research shows that adequate hydration supports concentration, memory, alertness and overall cognitive function. Even mild dehydration can affect a young person's ability to focus and engage fully in lessons. By encouraging students to drink water regularly throughout the school day, we aim to support both their wellbeing and their academic success.

To help us return lost property quickly and easily, we ask that all families clearly label their child's water bottle. The bottles issued by the school include a designated space for students' names, which can be written on using a permanent marker pen.

The new bottles are:

- Made from BPA-free plastic
- Dishwasher safe
- Durable and designed for everyday school use

We have introduced this expectation because we believe it will benefit students' learning and wellbeing, while also helping to reduce unnecessary waste from single-use plastic cups and bottles.

Thank you for your support in helping us establish this positive habit across the school community.

Kind regards

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