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Dear Parents/Carers,

At Silver Tree Primary School we believe that education is about inspiring young children to open their minds to a lifetime of learning.

We are a medium sized school with traditional values and an unrivalled setting. We believe children learn best when they are excited and engaged. What excites and engages children most is truly excellent teaching, which challenges them and promotes independence in learning.

We believe class work should be relevant, valued by the child and challenging; with built-in rigour. If children are to progress in tomorrow's world they will need to be independent from an early age. It is vital children develop the skills and strategies of how to learn rather than the habit of being taught; starting in Foundation stage by learning through play based self-initiated activities to creative research projects in Year 6.

Whilst it is vitally important for children to be both numerate and literate, they will also need to be flexible, and able to work confidently with changing technology. Children will require excellent communication skills and the ability to work both independently and as part of a team. Our key educational aim is to encourage each child to work to his or her potential.

Success in most ventures requires vision, determination, and teamwork. The staff team are determined to get the right balance between traditional values with the demands of a rapidly changing world. We are passionate and determined to offer your child a high quality education and to ensure your child reaches their full potential.

With your support and the encouragement you can give your child, we can build a strong partnership which will enhance your child's education at Silver Tree. Excellent communication with parents is really important to us. It is a good idea to check the Silver Tree School Website: www.silvertreeprimary.co.uk regularly as copies of all letters to parents are posted there as well many other details about school life.

If you would like to have a tour of the school please contact the school office to arrange an appointment.

Many Thanks,

Jimmy Jamieson
Chair of Governors

