



July Newsletter

'Walking and Learning with faith in the footsteps of Jesus'

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The end of the school year has finally arrived. It seems like only a moment ago that I was writing to you to introduce myself as the new Head Teacher of this wonderful school. It has been a busy, memorable and ultimately very successful year for the school and its pupils.

The OFSTED judgement at the beginning of the year set the year off to a positive start this was quickly followed by a SIAMs inspection which too was highly complementary of the school. During each of these visits your children were a huge credit to you; sharing our Christian values, their learning and knowledge, their warmth and generosity and ultimately the respect they show for one another and for themselves.

A shining example of this has been our Year Six pupils, who have throughout the year been role models for others to follow. As I am sure those Year 6 parents who attended their leavers assemblies will agree, the children's performances were excellent. This group of pupils have worked incredibly hard throughout the year, resulting in really positive outcomes in their SATs tests. On behalf of the school, I wish each and every one of them well as they start a new journey at their respective Secondary Schools in September.



A school is bigger than the individual parts that make it, schools are parts of communities and like many ours has links forged over many years to our community and what a wonderful school community it is; welcoming, friendly, generous and kind. This has been so evident in the huge response we had to the summer fayre which raised over £2000. The generosity of time and of money has been breath taking. Thank you to each and everyone of you that helped, supported and attended this event. This has been followed by the fun-filled colour runs which were really well supported and definitely colourful! This is a school community to be proud of and as Head Teacher I can talk with great pride about what a

special place it is. This comes also from the fantastic teachers and adults within our school –all dedicated and determined to do their best for your children. Sadly, as is most often the case, we are saying good bye to a number of staff these include; Mrs Stockdale, who has been part of the school for many years, Mrs West, Mrs Henderson and Mrs Cooper. In the school kitchen we are saying farewell to Mrs White who has been the cook for a number of years. We wish them well for their next chapters and hope that they come back to visit us.



Finally I would like to wish you all a lovely summer holiday, I hope that finally we see some better weather and time to spend with your children. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Wednesday 4th September.

Dates for the Diary

Summer holiday: Monday 22nd July –Tuesday 3rd September 2024

Inset Training days 2024/25

- Monday 2nd September, Tuesday 3rd September: **Pupils return on Wednesday 4th September 2024**

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Collective Worship

Over this half-term the theme for collective worship is Respect.

'Do to others as you would have them do to you' Matthew 7.12



Uniform and PE Kit

As we begin to think about September please can we make sure that children return to school wearing the correct uniform:

Girls

Red sweatshirt or red cardigan with school logo
White polo top or shirt
Grey trousers/grey skirt/grey pinafore dress
Grey socks/white socks
Sensible plain flat black shoes
In the summer Grey shorts/red gingham dress

Boys

White polo top or shirt
Red jumper with school logo
Black/Grey trousers
Sensible black shoes
In the summer Grey shorts

PE kit

Indoor PE

White polo top or t-shirt
Black or navy blue shorts
Black plimsolls

Outdoor PE

White polo top or t-shirt
Black or navy blue jogging pants
Trainers

A drawstring P.E. bag (marked with name or initials) is handy to ensure items do not go astray. A school book bag is helpful to transport homework, reading book and reading record, and any correspondence to and from school.

Please can we ask that we don't have painted or acrylic (or similar) nails for school and that for safety reasons earing are studs only. Ideally children should be able to remove these for PE lessons. Branded uniform can purchased from Motif 8,, however, non-branded uniform is available from most supermarkets.

PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT UNIFORM IS CLEARLY LABELLED

Termtime holidays SUMMARY:

PLEASE BE AWARE: NEW FINES COME IN TO FORCE FROM 19.8.2024

Termtime holidays are rarely authorised.

Fines are increasing to £80 per pupil/ per adult (Minimum if paid within 28 day if not £160)

A Second termtime holiday within a 3 year period is an automatic £160 fine per pupil/ per adult.

A third term-time holiday within a 3 year period may result in prosecution

A full letter explaining this was sent out earlier in the school year.

Please spread the word...

We have Nursery places available for September 2024, so if you would like to find out more about your child joining our school, please call 01642 763060 to arrange a visit.

