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Newsletter

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Newsletter 20. 15th July 2016

As we approach the end of yet another busy academic year, can I please thank you all for your continued support of Woodmancote School.

We will begin the new academic year with a new wing to the school, additional work areas and new offices, meeting rooms and a bigger staffroom. We will also have new Junior toilets, a hall storage and additional staff toilets. These are exciting times, but please be reassured that what really matters is the happiness and aspirations for each individual child. We will continue to aim high academically, but also to provide each child with a range of opportunities at school that will help them grow emotionally and socially as well.

There will also be changes to staff in September and we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Trigg, Mr Clark, Mr Carter, Mrs Cotter, Mrs Howes, Mrs Hetherington and also Mr De Gruchy.

Mr De Gruchy will be staying at Holy Trinity School in September on a permanent basis. He has been at Woodmancote since 2008 and in that time has been instrumental in moving the school forwards in maths, assessment and improving the quality of teaching, as well as a host of other areas! I know that many of you will be sorry to see him move on, but Mr de Gruchy is now ready for the next challenge in his professional career. He will certainly be missed by everyone at school. He will be at school next Thursday morning and we will be marking his departure in the autumn term. If you would like to contribute to his collection please see Mrs Meredith, Mrs Holder or Mrs Williams in the school office.

There will be a few changes with the class organisation in September. All classes will move up as they are. Please note that some class names will remain the same (Lime and Holly) as they were only changed for this year whilst the Year 3 were out in the Elliott buildings. Children will meet their new teachers on Wednesday 20th July.

| YEAR 16-17 | TEACHERS | Teaching Assistant Support | Existing Class 2015-16 |
|--------------------|--|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Reception Oak | Mrs Pearman (M-T) Mrs Meredith- Smyth (W-F) | Mrs Worgan | n/a |
| Reception Ash | Miss Waters | Mrs Minett | n/a |
| Year 1 Maple | Mrs Badham Mrs Dodwell (Th-Fr) | Mrs King | Ash |
| Year 1 Beech | Mr Williams | Mrs Fletcher | Oak |
| Year 2 Cedar | Mr Hoyle | Mrs Strangwood | Maple |
| Year 2 Willow | Mrs Grosvenor | Mrs Meadows | Beech |
| Year 3 Fir | Miss Swan | Mrs Thwaites | Cedar |
| Year 3 Pine | Miss Perkins | Mrs Lockey | Willow |
| Year 4 Lime | Mrs Holding/ Mrs Allen | Miss Steer | Lime |
| Years 4 Holly | Mrs McCormack | Mrs Bird (1:1) Mrs Smith | Holly |
| Years 5 Yew | Mrs Howard | Mrs Siveter | Fir |
| Years 5 Hazel | Mr Adkin | Mrs Burrows | Pine |
| Year 6 Sycamore | Mr Evans | Mrs Kelsall | Yew |
| Years 6 Rowan | Miss Chandler | Mrs Lee | Hazel |

End of Year Service

We are looking for several parents to accompany the Junior children down to the church on Wednesday afternoon. We will be leaving the school at approximately 1.15 and returning before the end of the school day. You would be welcome to stay for the service and if you are parents of Year 6 children, seats would be reserved for you! Please email Mr Evans or Mr Tucker asap.

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End of Year Reports

Reports will be going out on Wednesday 20th July with a brief explanation of what the grades mean. If you have any queries, please feel free to email the class teacher or pop into school for clarification.

Baby News!

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Clark on the birth of their first baby, Polly Iris Clark. All are doing well.

I am also delighted to inform parents that Mrs Baxter is expecting her second baby in December. She will be with us for the Autumn term before going on maternity.

Big Friendly Read

Bishops Cleeve Library launched the Big Friendly Read in assembly on Thursday and once again we are urging all families to make use of the library over the summer holiday. It is the perfect opportunity to read books for pleasure, try new authors and to keep children amused. There will be a range of activities over the 6 weeks.

Building Project

Completion is due 26th August. We will look forward to holding an open morning early in September so that everyone can come into school and see for themselves the outcome of all the disruption!

If there are issues over the summer, please contact Mark Taylor on 07970 314312

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Diary Dates

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| 19 th July | House Talent Show |
| 19 th July | Year 6 Disco |
| 20 th July | Children to meet their new teachers |
| 20 th July | End of Year Service for Year 6 Leavers at St Michael's Church Teddy Bear Picnic for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children |
| Thursday 21 st July | Last day of term for children |
| 1 st September | Staff INSET |
| 2 nd September | First day for children |