

Newsletter: September 2017



Head Teacher's Welcome



Welcome back to a new school year! I've tried to avoid asking about how the 'summer' was as it was a bit drab, so I hope that you had a good August!

This promises to be a very exciting year. The teachers are busy writing the year group letters and these will be sent home soon with details of the curriculum and topics that your children are studying.

Richard Culham

Uniform



The children have returned really well. School feels great! As you know, I do believe that a big part of that is them 'looking smart' which encourages them to be smart and they all certainly look very smart indeed – thank you!

Management Structure

One key change for us this year is that Mrs Parker is now our Deputy Head. She will remain as our SENCO and Pastoral Lead but she will also play a greater role in our teaching and learning focus, particularly in the EYFS. Miss Walker's Assistant Head role is now as KS1 and KS2 lead.

New Faces

This term we welcomed *Mrs Pimm* to Year 2 working on a Monday to Wednesday in a job share with Mrs Gould.

Mrs Sandiford has joined us this year as a trainee teacher and will work in both Y4 and Y1.

Mrs Wake joins us as our SEN Assistant. Her role is to support in her day to day SENCO work both administratively and with children.

Welcome all.

There are also a considerable number of new children across school so a very warm welcome to them and their families too.

Office Changes / Improvements

Over the summer the old Library was converted into 2 offices. The 'Year 3' side is now Debbie and Danielle's PFSA office. The 'Year 6' side is now Mrs Parker's office. Mrs Parker's old office is now Mrs Wake's room and our SEN resource base.

I have moved back to the front of the school in the old PFSA office.

We have also re-carpeted the corridors using Government buildings improvement money. It looks brilliant – no dirty shoes or buggy wheels please.

School looks splendid – many, many thanks to Mr Critchell and Mr Weeks for their decorating skills!

Questionnaire



Many thanks to you for your returns. In total we had 104 which gives us a good overall picture. I will give you further feedback in the next newsletter but I am delighted to say that overall the results are very encouraging and positive.

Dates for your Diary

Mon 11 Sept: New Reception start full time	Mon 23 –
Mon 25 Sept: Y4 trip to Gore Farm	Fri 27 Oct: Half Term
Tues 26 Sept: Y4 trip to Gore Farm	Mon 30 Oct: School re-opens
Thurs 28 and Individual and Family photographs	Fri 1 Dec: School Discos (further details to follow)
Fri 29 Sept:	Mon 11 – KS1 Nativity (further details to follow)
Wed 4 Oct: Y4 trip to Dorchester Museum	Wed 13 Dec:
Tues 17 – Parent Consultation meetings	Wed 20 Dec: KS2 Carol Service (pm)
Thurs 19 Oct: (further details to follow)	Last day of term
Fri 20 Oct: Harvest Festival	Thur 21 Dec: INSET Day

As ever, if you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to get in touch.