



St. Lawrence CE Primary School

Executive Head Teacher - Ms. Helen Osterfield

Head of School - Mrs. Alison Moore

Friday 10th July 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was so lovely to welcome back the majority of our pupils this week for their 'Story and Snack' sessions to support transition. I think Monday's session was the least wet and damp but on Tuesday and Wednesday children and staff had to brave the elements in our Forest School area, even though we got a little wet we all had a lot to giggle about! Hopefully, children went away with a smile on their faces and enjoyed seeing their friends after such a long absence.



Next week we look forward to our Year 6 cohort coming back into school to complete their journey with us. The end of term is not quite as we would have expected, but there are some special planned activities for all Y6 to enjoy next week. I can guarantee there will not be a dry eye amongst us as we bid them farewell.

Following the new national guidance for fully opening schools in September, we have been working on plans and Risk Assessments to ensure we follow all the guidance and make it possible for a safe and full opening of our school. We will be sending out more information next week about how this will all work in September, when our Risk Assessments and plans are agreed by the Local Authority Health & Safety team. We will be maintaining the regular handwashing and social distancing where possible plus a staggered start and end of day times and 'bubble' working. The first day of the Autumn term will begin on Wednesday 2nd September 2020 for all pupils.

Come September, we will welcome our new starters who are just beginning the whole school adventure. They have missed much of the usual transition opportunities in the summer term, but we will work hard to support transition and build positive relationships with our new families. The Class One team and I will try and reproduce a short transition time for the new reception in September, beginning the first and second week with half days, working up to full days in the third week of term.

We will do our best to ensure the start to school life is as smooth as possible for all.

The Governing Body have been working with the Local Authority to appoint a new Executive Headteacher for the Federation and we are pleased to announce the outcome of this today. Please see the attached letter confirming details from our Chair of Governors, Mr Paul Evans. The Covid-19 pandemic has delayed the process for us, therefore Miss Osterfield will remain as our Executive Headteacher until the end of December 2020 with the new appointment starting January 2021.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Alison Moore



Letter from The Governing Body

Appointment of Tibberton and St Lawrence's Executive Head Teacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you are all well and looking forward to the summer break.

The Governing body is pleased to announce that Mrs Rebecca Nash has been appointed as our new Executive Head Teacher and will be joining our Federation in January 2021.

Mrs Nash has strong leadership experience across various schools and is currently Deputy Head/Head Teacher for a School in the Walsall Borough. She brings with her a breadth of skills, having worked in education for over 15 years and will no doubt build on the excellent work Miss Osterfield and our two Heads of School already have in place.

We are hopeful that Mrs Nash will be able to visit the schools ahead of her start date, we will keep you posted closer to the time.

The Federation will continue to be led by Miss Osterfield until the end of the year.

We would like to thank Miss Osterfield for her continued Stewardship over this time and we will ensure a robust handover takes place for both schools.

Best regards

Paul Evans

Chair of Governors

Tibberton and St Lawrence Federation



Other News...

FOREST SCHOOL SESSIONS

Next week the Forest School sessions will be as follows:

Bubble Reception—Tuesday afternoon

Bubble A—Friday morning

Bubble B—Thursday afternoon

Can you please ensure that your child has the appropriate clothing weather depending. If the weather is hot please make sure your child has a sun hat and suntan lotion applied on them before arriving in school. They will also need their wellington boots.



YEAR 6 ARRANGEMENTS

We are inviting our Year 6 pupils in for two full days on Monday 13th July and Tuesday 14th July from 9.45am to 2.15pm.

Please could children come to school in PE kits and bring a packed lunch and a water bottle for both days.

Pupils in year 6 will be invited back to school on Thursday 16th July from 10am to 11am for their Leavers Assembly / Presentation. The children will need to wear their school uniform.

Unfortunately, we are unable to invite parents due to the guidance we have been given, however their presentation will be filmed for their leavers DVD.

Can you please inform the school office on 01952 387780 if you do not want your child to take part on the DVD.



SCHOOL UNIFORM ORDERS

Due to the circumstances at present we are not allowed to take any orders for school uniform before the end of term.

There will be an opportunity for you to order school uniform in the first two weeks back in September. In the mean time, if your child grows out of their uniform, a plain navy cardigan or sweatshirt will be acceptable until orders are taken