



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the new term and the new year. I have managed to get out and about quite a lot so far and it has been lovely to welcome back familiar faces, and to meet our new children and their families.

This is a quick newsletter to share some bits of information and news about the coming term. In a few weeks, I will send out the more usual one, with photos and news about things we have been doing.

Headlines:

- I would like to say a big thank you to the parents of Year One and Two children for your support in the changes to the morning routine. This has already had a very positive impact within the classroom at the beginning of the day and children are quickly adjusting to the changes.
- We would like to begin welcoming parents into Friday morning assemblies. Every few weeks, there will be a class assembly where children are able to share things they have been doing at school. We would like to extend an open invitation to the parents of the children in that class to come and join us. These assemblies will start after registration at about 9.05 am. The dates are as follows:

Oak Class—26th September.
Willow Class—10th October
Maple Class—7th November
Acorn—21st November
Beech—5th December
- More thanks to Miss Harrison & Miss Farrant who have been working incredibly hard to organise the Y5 & 6 residential trip to Condover Hall in Shropshire. If you log onto their website www.jca-adventure.co.uk you can get an idea of the activities the children will be involved in.
- Miss Harrison has also organised our participation in the Young Voices singing event.
- Next Monday, Y4,5 & 6 children will be taking part in workshops with the Tibetan monks at the Village Hall. (A donation of £2 from each child would be greatly appreciated to contribute to the costs of the materials.) Following this, there will be a public procession from the Village Hall to the Sib for the 'destruction of the Mandala'. We will not be taking part in the procession as a school but families are more than welcome to attend after school.
- Next Thursday is 'Meet the Teacher Evening'. We look forward to seeing many of you there and sharing information about daily routines and expectations, homework, etc. I will be about and available to talk with parents as well.
- On a sad note, I have to inform you that Ilone Jones has made the difficult decision to resign from her post here for personal reasons. This resignation was with immediate effect which means we have not had the chance to say good bye to a long standing and valued member of staff. Jill Davies, a teacher with many years experience of teaching music in schools, has kindly agreed to work here for terms 1 & 2, teaching music and Modern Foreign Languages in Key Stage 2. On the plus side, this gives us an opportunity to introduce French into our curriculum, which fits with current practice at The Warriner School.
- We are gradually populating the new school website with information about the curriculum, key dates for the year and so on. Please keep checking for helpful updates.

Kind regards,

Jane O'Sullivan, Head teacher