

Russell Street School Newsletter

April 2018

Staffing

We are delighted to welcome Sophie Green, Reception teacher in Otters Class, to our school. We are already benefitting from her wide experience of Early Years education.

Mrs Stawniczy and Mrs Jeffery had successful transition periods with Otters and Hedgehogs Classes. The children have settled back into school confidently after the Easter break.

Unfortunately Mrs Ingrouille is still unwell after her operation. She is being covered by Jamie-Lee Steggles and Natalie Machikiche. Both teachers are working closely with the Reception team to ensure that the children in Squirrels Class are well cared for and that they continue to make good progress.

Holiday Clubs

Premier Sport will be running holiday clubs over half term and on our June 4th INSET day. See their website for further details:

https://family.premier-

education.com/courses/venue/russell-street-school/id/4456

Please note that there is <u>no parking</u> outside school, down the lane adjacent to school, or on Anthony Court (which is a private road). The safety of our children and our neighbours' right of access must be respected. There are three car parks within 5 minutes' walk of school!

Keep our children safe - use the car parks and walk to school!

Induction and Transition

In July we will have a week of class swaps and visits (see calendar overleaf). It is at this time that we will notify parents of their child's new class. All parents are invited to our Induction and Transition Evening to see their child's new classroom and to meet their new teacher. All parents will also be invited to school during the teaching day for a 1:1 appointment.

Babies

Laura Titley, Kim Campbell and Fairoza Jokhia have all had their babies. They are all well and the babies are thriving.

Trim Trail

The children are enjoying the new trim trail. They are welcome to use the equipment on their way in and out of school, <u>provided they are supervised</u> by their parents / carers.

We are having the height of the equipment adjusted!

Wrap Around Provision

If you do not currently use our wrap around provision but will need to next school year, then please put your name on the waiting list. We need to plan for space and staffing.

School Uniform

Our teaching team recently requested that Governors review our current uniform policy. Teachers have noticed that, for many children, the clothes that they wear impacts on their attitude to learning. We have also had requests from parents who find it difficult to get their children into uniform if their friends are not wearing it. As a result, Governors have agreed to remove the word 'optional' from the uniform policy from September 2018. The rest of the policy will remain:

The school's uniform is as follows:

- Red or navy sweatshirts / cardigans with the school logo.
- Polo shirts either with or without the school logo.
- Grey, navy or black 'bottoms', e.g. trousers, shorts, pinafores, skirts.
- In the summer an optional extra of red or blue gingham dresses.
- Sensible footwear.
- A change of clothes for PE including: plimsolls, black shorts and a white 'T' shirt.
- No jewellery, other than plain stud earrings which should be taped on PE days.



Dates for your diaries

See also: <u>www.russell-street-school.co.uk</u>

23-4-18	Clubs start this week
24-4-18	'Wild Science' visiting KS1
7-5-18	May Bank Holiday – school closed
8-5-18	Reception to Woodside Farm
14-5-18	Last week of clubs
	Healthy Schools Week
	PA Boot Camp Sponsored Event
17-5-18	Active Day
23-5-18	Class Photographs
25-5-18	End of Half Term
4-6-18	INSET day
5-6-18	Back to school (TUESDAY)
18-6-18	Summer in the Park
25-6-18	Reception Induction Evening
26 th to 28 th	Reception Stay and Play mornings for children new to school
28-6-18	Year 2 Safety Centre visit
2-7-18	KS1 Induction Evening 7pm
2 nd to 4 th	Visits to new classes, including Nursery children
2 nd to 4 th	Nursery Stay and Play mornings
5 th & 6 th	KS1 parent / teacher meetings
9-7-18	KS1 parent / teacher meetings
10 th to 12 th	Reception parent / teacher meetings
11-7-18	Reception Disco 3pm-4pm
12-7-18	KS1 Disco 3pm-4pm
13-7-18	Reports to Parents
14-7-18	School Fete
17-7-18	Sports Day
19-7-18	Year 2 Leavers' Assembly 2:15pm
20-7-18	Last Day of Term