

Sarah Jeffries will be leaving us on Friday 8th June. She has been appointed to a new role at the Rowans Family Centre. We send her our congratulations and wish her every success in her new venture. Michelle Thorne will take over as key worker for the Purple Group. Michelle and Sarah are working closely together to ensure a smooth transition for the children. The Nursery Team will be joined by teaching assistant, Sarah Jones.

Ellie Ingrouille is continuing her phased return to work and is now with us every day. It is lovely to have her back with us! We appreciate the hard work of the Reception team in maintaining the quality of provision for all of the children during Ellie's absence.

School Uniform

Following feedback from parents we have adjusted our uniform policy to: The school's uniform is as follows:

- Red or navy sweatshirts / cardigans
- Polo shirts (red, white or blue)
- Grey or black 'bottoms', e.g. trousers, shorts, pinafores, skirts.
- In the summer an optional extra of red or blue gingham dresses.
- Sensible footwear, i.e. closed toed and flat
- 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.

The Completion of our Expansion

Our school expansion is complete this year. We have grown gradually over three years; our current Year 2 children being the first cohort to include 3 classes. We have celebrated today with singing, dancing and cake. The children have all decorated the '3' posters that are displayed in classroom windows. **Premier Sport** will be running holiday clubs over half term and on our June 4th INSET day. See their website for further details: <u>https://family.premier-</u> <u>education.com/courses/venue/russell-street-</u> <u>school/id/4456</u>

Girls Football

Mr Cooksley took a team of girls over to Rickley School for a football match. They were victorious: 5-0! Well done to: Isabella, Molly, Bethany, Evie, Rosa, Matilda and Florence.

We are grateful to the PA who for supplying a football kit for inter-school competitions.

Infant Strings

Our Year 2 violinists and cellists took part in a concert at Shenley Brook End on Tuesday evening. They were all very courageous and their performance was faultless. Well done to: Tilly, Akorfa, Millie, Arlo, Daniel, Elsie, Elyse, Evie, Faith, Isabella, Noah, Salome, Sydnie and Lauren.

Erasmus Visit

Last week, Vicky Krater and Sandra Lewis attended a final project meeting at our partner school, Strandskolan in Karlsborg, Sweden. We saw lots of mathematics teaching and enjoyed a whole school problem solving day. We will be giving feed-back to staff and children after the half term break. If you would like to come along to hear about our visit and project, then we will be running **a parent session on Friday 15th June at 9am.** Please let the office know if you are planning to attend. Coffee and biscuits will be provided!

Boot Camp

The PA organised a great Boot Camp during our Healthy Schools Week. Children and staff really enjoyed themselves. We appreciate everyone's efforts in raising sponsorship money.

Breakfast Club pick up

Mr Salter, headteacher at SMSG Junior School, has organised a pick up from our breakfast club. From September, SMSG siblings who attend our club will be collected by Mrs Corcoran.



Dates for your diaries

See also: www.russell-street-school.co.uk

25-5-18	End of Half Term
4-6-18	INSET day
5-6-18	Back to school (TUESDAY)
6-6-18	SMSG Junior School Induction Evening 7pm
15-6-18	Parents' coffee and Erasmus meeting 9am
	SMSG Junior School visit for Y2 pm
18-6-18	Summer in the Park Week
22-6-18	SMSG Junior School visit for Y2 pm
25-6-18	Reception and Nursery Induction Evening
26-6 to 28-6-18	Reception Stay & Play (children new to school)
28-6-18	Year 2 Safety Centre visit
2-7-18	KS1 Transition Evening 7pm (Reception & Y1 Parents)
	SMSG Junior School visit for Y2 am
	Last week of clubs
2-7 to 4-7-18	Visits to new classes, including Nursery children
	Nursery Stay and Play mornings
5-7 to 6-7-18	Meet your new teacher (Reception & Y1 parents)
9-7-18	Meet your new teacher (Reception & Y1 parents)
10-7 to 12-7-18	Meet your new teacher (Nursery parents)
11-7-18	Reception Disco 3pm-4pm
12-7-18	KS1 Disco 3pm-4pm
13-7-18	Reports to Parents
14-7-18	PA Event 2pm at York House
16-7-18	Reception, Y1&2 visit to Waddesdon Manor
17-7-18	Sports Afternoon 1:15pm
19-7-18	Year 2 Leavers' Assembly 2:15pm
20-7-18	Year 1 Singing Assembly Last Day of Term

Please remember 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!