

Russell Street School Newsletter Ju

School Values

Our value this half term is **Courage**, linked to the theme of 'Change'. This is especially relevant to the children as they approach class and school changes.

Staffing

We will be welcoming Jess Gaeta to our teaching team next year. Her appointment is linked to the part-time working choices made by current teachers. She will join us for transition sessions over the next few weeks. Jess is an experienced infant school teacher. She is moving to us from Loughton Manor School.

End of Year Events Year Group Performances

Do make a note of your child's performance date (see the dates below). Each year group will be singing a sample of the songs that they have learnt over the year.

Sports Day

We are unable to hold a sports day this term as the junior school field is out of action. We have considered other venues but none offer the same site safety and security for an inclusive whole school event.

Discos

Our end of year discos will take place in the last week of term. Payment is via Parentmail for those who did not buy a batch last term. Money raised will be used for curriculum enhancements; such as, visitors and workshops.

For Premier Education **summer holiday clubs**, book at: <u>https://family.premier-</u> <u>education.com/courses/venue/russell-street-</u> <u>school/id/4456</u> Mr Cooksley's club: <u>scsports0@gmail.com</u> BizKids holiday club can be booked at: https://stonybizkids.com/

Induction and Transition

During the first week in July we will have a week of class swaps and visits. It is at this time that we will notify you of your child's new teacher and their class name. Children visit their classes for 3 sessions over the week; teachers will also be visiting their new classes in their current classrooms.

All Reception and Year 1 parents are invited to our Transition Evening to see their child's new classroom and to meet their new teacher. Parents will also be invited to school during the teaching day for a 1:1 appointment. If you are unable to make the appointment you can come along to the evening session and also arrange for a telephone conversation. Unfortunately the end of term is extremely hectic so teachers are not able to reschedule meetings beyond their dedicated meeting day.

Piccolo Music

We appreciate Sue Alexandridis' work in organising the entertainer for the children. The money raised goes to the Parents' Association fundraising totals. All of the children had a fun afternoon, either with Piccolo Music, or with Mr Cooksley and the teachers who organised alternative activities.

Parent Questionnaires

Thank you to all of the parents who contributed to our recent Parent Questionnaire. We had a fantastic response. The outcomes were discussed extensively during the summer term's Full Governing Body meeting and will inform future school development planning.

Some comments were very specific and related to individual issues. You are always welcome to come and speak to members of the school leadership team if you feel that any concerns are not properly addressed.

Please see a summary of questionnaire results attached.

Dates for your diaries

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

| KS1 Transition Evening 7-8pm |
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| Transition Week – children visit their new teachers |
| Y2 SMSG induction 9am-1pm |
| Activities in school for Y2 children not going to SMSG |
| New to Reception Parent Meetings |
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| KS1 Parent Meetings |
| Y2 SMSG performance 10-11am |
| Activities in school for Y2 children not going to SMSG |
| Last week of clubs |
| KS1 Parent Meetings |
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| Kingfishers SMSG visit 9.30-10-30am |
| Activities in school for KFs' children not going to SMSG |
| KS1 Parent Meetings |
| Newts SMSG visit 9.30-10-30am |
| Activities in school for Newts' children not going to SMSG |
| Owls SMSG visit 9.30-10-30am |
| Activities in school for Owls' children not going to SMSG |
| School Fete |
| Reception, Y1 and Y2 visit to Waddesdon Manor |
| YR singing for parents 2:30pm |
| Nursery singing for parents 2:30pm |
| Reception Summer Disco 3-4pm |
| Y2 Leavers' Assembly 2:15pm |
| KS1 Summer Disco 3-4pm |
| Y1 Assembly for parents 2:30pm |
| End of Term |
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Holiday clubs on site:

- 22-25 July Premier Education
- 29-1 Aug Premier Education
- 5-8 Aug SC Sports
- 12-15 Aug SC Sports
- 19-22 Aug SC Sports
- **3-9-19** Back to school for Year 1 and 2
- **Tuesday** Induction sessions for Nursery and Reception