



NEWSLETTER

DATE 3rd July 2020

A Big Hello to Everyone!

We hope you are all safe and well. This newsletter aims to provide updates and key information we think you may find useful while school is partially closed at this time.

New to The Team

We would like to welcome Mrs Barr back to OPALGr, she will be our Vice Principal and will work with Mrs Wakefield on the Senior Leadership Team. Along with Mr Brightmore, he will be the Y2 teacher and Assistant Principal.

Starting their careers as newly qualified teachers we would like to congratulate Miss Downes on achieving her teaching qualification and accepting her first role as OPALGr Year 1 teacher. Also, having completed their training through the Outwood Institute we welcome Mr Smith (Y5) and Mr Handley (Y2).

Libby Holmes will be joining our team in Reception as an experienced member of staff.

Maternity Leave

We have several maternity announcements to make this year.

Firstly, Miss Busfield has had a beautiful, healthy baby boy born in May.

Mrs Bedford and Miss Siddall are expecting babies due in August and Mrs Blake is expecting her baby early September. Miss Sargent is due in October and finally, Mrs Senenko- Wilkinson will return in September but will not be class based as she is expecting in November.

We would like to congratulate the staff and their families on their news and we look forward to hearing of all of the babies' safe and healthy arrivals.

Dates for your diary

17th July- school closes for the summer.

1st September- school inset day

2nd September – school reopens for Autumn

Re-opening guidance will follow in a separate letter.

Thank you

We would just like to take a moment to thank you all for your continued support and understanding in these unprecedented times. We will continue to update you with any news or guidance as quickly as we can. Please rest assured we are doing all we can to ensure the children's' safety is our top priority.

Moving On

This is the time of year where we begin to say our goodbyes to some people. First of all, a huge congratulations and goodbye to the Year 6 children. Sadly, we haven't been able to have the usual leavers events. This does not take away from the children's achievements and memories created at OPALGr. We wish you all the best of luck at secondary school.

Paul Foster, will continue to be a Vice Principal but will join the team at Outwood Primary Academy Darfield. We would like to thank Mr Foster for all being an excellent Vice Principal at OPALGr.

Sarah Long has worked with us as a reception teacher, Mrs Long will continue to teach in another Outwood school. We would like to thank Mrs Long and wish her all the luck at her new school.

Elaine Round has been a Teaching Assistant for a number of years at OPALGr, Mrs Round has retired, we would like to thank Mrs Round for all her hard work and will wish her the very best in her new journey.

Amy Harrison will be seconded for 1 year to a new role within the Outwood Trust. This means Mrs Harrison will not be based at OPALGr next year. We wish her the very best in her new role and thank her for her endless commitment to OPALGr and continued hard work.

Staffing for September

Nursery – Ms Corn/ Mrs Robinson

Reception (RJ) - Miss Johnson

Reception (RH) – Miss Holmes

Year 1 (IH) - Miss Helme

Year 1 (ID) – Miss Downes

Year 2 (2H/L) – Mr Handley & Miss Leach

Year 2 (2B) – Mr Brightmore

Year 3 (3B) – Mrs Bevan

Year 3 (3T) – Mr Turner

Year 4 (4S) – Miss Sarvent

Year 4 (4W) – Mr Wilkinson

Year 5 (5C) - Miss Cheesman

Year 5 (5S) - Mr Smith

Year 6 (6L) – Miss Lord

Year 6 (6R) – Mrs Robinson

