

Headteacher's Monthly Update

Staffing

I am delighted to confirm, pending some final employment checks, that we have appointed 3 additional teachers to join us in September.

Mrs Jenny Blyth will teach every morning in Space Base.

Mrs Jill Dodds will teach Wednesday mornings, Thursday and Fridays, sharing the Earth Works class with Mrs Stapleton. (Jill has been doing supply teaching for us over the last year- so some of you know her already.)

Mrs Jo Lee will teach Monday-Thursday mornings, plus 1 afternoon in Time Zone, sharing the class with myself.

We will continue to use individual teacher specialist skills and knowledge to teach across other age ranges in school, as appropriate, in order to provide the best quality wider curriculum opportunities to our pupils.

Buildings

Thank you for your support with the ongoing building works. Disruption to the front of school is now complete. The roof trusses arrived yesterday, so work continues to progress rapidly. Unfortunately, the builders have lost their Early Years assistants due to the exciting birth of two ducklings this week.

Monitoring

The Local Authority has carried out moderation of our assessments in Early Years. They were in full agreement with the judgements made and praised Mrs Swinbank's in-depth knowledge of her pupils, partnership with parents and range of evidence demonstrated. Thank you for sharing your amazing little ones with us - they are some of our most enthusiastic, best behaved representatives of our school.

Support

Please can you make sure that your children are prepared for sunny weather: cap/sunhat, sun cream applied or with them to apply themselves (we are not allowed to do this for them), thin, long sleeved top if they are very sensitive.

Please can you make sure your children continue to bring their book bags, reading records etc. every day.

Many thanks,

Diane Lakey May 2017