SYTCHAMPTON PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

JULY 2024

Message from Mrs Brogan

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the last newsletter of this Academic Year! It has been a challenging year for the school, but there is a lot to celebrate, and a lot to look forward to. It is clear to me as 'a newcomer' what a great school community we have here, and I am very much looking forward to being a part of this in the new term.

In the meantime, thank you all for your support and warm welcome and I hope that everyone has an enjoyable summer (with hopefully at least a little bit of sunshine!)

Best Wishes

Catherine Brogan.





Great results

We have been so proud of all of our children this year and the progress that they have made. We have a lot to celebrate in the Statutory Assessments too! All of our results from the Phonics Screening in Year 1, the Multiplication Tables Testing in Year 4 and the Key Stage 2 SATs results are above national averages. Well done to all of the children for their hard work and to all of the families for your support. A huge well done to all of the staff for their hard work and expertise too.

On the Way to Paris

At the beginning of July children took part in the Paris Pursuit. Classes had to work together to run the length of the River Seine, throw the length of a stadium track, and jump the height of the Eiffel Tower. The children had great fun achieving these challenges.

We will of course all be rooting for Matt Richardson as he undertakes his Paris Olympic Adventure.

Good Luck Matt!

Stealing the Show!

Our Key Stage 2 children did themselves proud in their production of Aladdin Trouble. The singing was incredible and the whole show brilliantly entertaining. A huge well done to the children, and to all the staff who helped to pull it together, from planning, technological support, and scenery to rehearsal, encouragement and stage direction.

Thank you also to all the parents and families who supported with costumes and learning lines.





Moving on Up

The children had a successful transition day on Wednesday this week, where they had chance to meet their new teachers and staff. This is always a time for some nerves, but the morning's activities went well and new relationships began to be formed. Building on these relationships is always a big focus for September too.

Staffing for next year

Class teachers

Brambles

Mrs Jane Fairlamb

Our teaching assistants will be deployed across the school at different times of the week to best meet the needs of the children

Oak

Miss Danielle Field

Mrs Deanna Robbins

Willow

Miss Joanne Corbett

Mrs Kate Drysdale

Miss Xiola Johnson

Miss Abigail Unitt Mrs Jane Kadyntseva (Miss Jane)

Mrs Tracy Lewis

Elm Mrs Zeenat Monzur

Mrs Liz Oliver Miss Abigail Morgan

Miss Alexa Waring Mrs Mary Steele

 $f Mrs \ Liz \ Oliver \ remains \ as \ Interim \ SENCO \ while \ Mrs \ Laura \ Lawson \ is \ on \ Maternity \ Leave$

Our Front Office, Business Management and Administration will continue to be managed by

Mrs Jenny Bishop and Mrs Jane Lawson

Lunchtimes are supervised by teaching assistants and our lunchtime supervisors

Mrs Jackie Wright Mrs Tracey Rawlings Mrs Mary Steele

Our After School Club continues to be managed by

Mrs Carol Pugh and Mrs Tracey Rawlings

Our School Caretaker is **Mrs Carol Pugh** and **Sharon Maiden** keeps the school spotless!

Mrs Catherine Brogan continues as Interim Headteacher while a permanent headteacher is recruited.

As Interim Headteacher, I am very excited to be starting the term with such a skilled and committed team – there are lots of opportunities ahead!

You will notice from this list that there are some people leaving us at the end of this term. We would like to extend huge thanks and best wishes to:

Miss Lilly Evans

Miss Evans has supported a number of our children brilliantly over the last year, but she is leaving us to train as a paramedic. We are sure that she will do a fabulous job. Good luck Miss Evans!

Mrs Lucy Halligan

Mrs Halligan has been teaching Willow class over the last term and has done a great job, including playing a hand in their fabulous end of year show! We will miss Miss Halligan as she moves on to continue supply teaching in other schools and wish her all the very best.

Mrs Dawn Harding

Mrs Harding has been offering part time SEN support and we have been very grateful for her hard work. She has chosen to take some more time with her family and we are sure that she will enjoy this. All the best Mrs Harding.



Mrs Natalie Hothi

Mrs Hothi is a very familiar and popular face across the school and we are so grateful for all of the work that she has done over the last 7 years here, particularly developing our forest school area and supporting with wellbeing and SEN. We have a great team of people who will be continuing these roles across our school. Look out for more news of this in the Autumn Term. Mrs Hothi is going to be using her Forest School skills and passions, and we wish her all the best.

As you are all aware, **Mrs Richards** is leaving her post as Headteacher. Mrs Richards has shown a huge commitment to her role and to the school and we wish her the very best of health and happiness in her next ventures. Staff and children will be showing their gratitude through gifts and messages organised through school and the PTA would like to offer parents and families the opportunity to do the same.



Sporting Success!

We are delighted to announce that Sytchampton Primary School has once again been awarded the Gold Mark School Games Award!

Many thanks to Miss Field for championing the excellent PE and Sport provision in school, which has allowed us to achieve this. We are extremely proud of all of the children who have represented the school at Inter-School events and we know that a lot of fun has been had with the PE lessons and sports coaching in school over the year.

Three Cheers for Sytchampton!



PTA News

We are extremely lucky to have an active and supportive PTA who give their time and energies for the school community. **Thank you to them all** for their commitment this year and the wonderful things that they have been able to give the school! There will be more news from them in the Autumn term and if you have any time to spare, please get involved!







We have been learning about African animals, where Africa is on the world map and what the landscape is like in the African savanna. The children created their own African sunset scene and added animal silhouettes.

















Term Dates for Next Year

Please note the term and holiday dates for next year. It is important that children maximise their time in school and term time holidays will only be authorised in very exceptional circumstances.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY DAT	ES	
	AUTUMN TERM 2024	
INSET DAY	Monday 2nd September	School closed
INSET DAY	Tuesday 3 rd September	School closed
TERM STARTS	Wednesday 4th September	
HALF TERM	Monday 28 th October – Friday 1 st November	School closed
TERM ENDS	Friday 20th December	
	SPRING TERM 2025	
INSET DAY	Monday 6th January	School closed
TERM STARTS	Tuesday 7th January	
HALF TERM	Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February	School closed
TERM ENDS	Friday 11th April	
	SUMMER TERM 2025	
TERM STARTS	Monday 28 th April	
BANK HOLIDAY	Monday 5th May	School closed
HALF TERM	Monday 26 th May – Friday 30 th May	School closed
INSET DAY	Monday 2 nd June	School closed
TERM ENDS	Friday 18th July	
INSET DAY	Monday 21st July	School closed