

FOCUS

Thursday 18th July 2019

Children finish today for the summer. We hope you have a lovely summer. Let us hope the weather stays fine and we can enjoy some time in the sunshine! We look forward to welcoming the children back into school on **WEDNESDAY 4th SEPTEMBER 2019**. We would like to thank you for your fantastic support throughout the year; we are very grateful. It has been a pleasure working with you and your children over the year.

Teacher Days.

- Monday 2nd September: Safeguarding Training and Priorities for the Year.
- Tuesday 3rd September: Developing a curriculum that develops a love of learning in children and ensures progression of key skills, knowledge and understanding in all subjects, and prepares children for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of later life in modern Britain.

GOODBYE

We are saying goodbye to our Year 6 children today. We would like to wish them well in their schools and every success for their future. They have been a fabulous group of children and it has been a pleasure to have them.

We are also saying goodbye to Matthew M, Thai M, Sarvagjna K & Arsulan M in Year 1 and Hannah B in Reception, who are leaving us today. They will be starting their new schools in September. We wish you all the very best in your new ventures.

A number of our Nursery children are also leaving Coundon Primary to go to new schools from September, good luck to you all.



STAFF GOODBYES AND WELCOMES

We are saying goodbye to Mrs Shepherd, Lunchtime Supervisor, who has been employed as a teaching assistant at St Osborg's Primary School and Miss Cameron who is going to be staying at home with her baby. Miss Geoghegan is leaving Reception to complete her studies at University, where she is training to be an Educational Psychologist.



Welcome to three new lunchtime supervisors; Mrs Cabble, Mrs Akhtar and Ms Swann. We would also like to welcome Mrs King who is supporting in the kitchen, Miss Golding, who is an apprentice key worker in Nursery and Mr Joshua Tooby, who will be teaching in Year 5. Mrs Ranchhod will be covering Miss Blower's maternity leave in Year 3 until she returns just before Christmas.

CHANGES TO LEADERSHIP

Due to personal circumstances, Mrs Ellis will be reducing to a four-day contract. Mrs Maude will officially be Acting Head Teacher every Monday, and will be supported by Mrs Sweet, Mr Scott and Mrs Cheshire. (Assistant Head Teachers)



YEAR 1 COOMBE ABBEY

Year 1 had a fabulous time at Coombe Abbey. They built dens in the woods, went on a nature walk, fed the ducks and played in the playground. The children were wonderful. Thank you to all of the staff and volunteers that helped on the trip.

YEAR 6 - MEETING THE MAYOR



This week, Year 6 MVP mentors went to meet the Lord Mayor, Linda Bigham. The children were given a tour of St Mary's Guildhall. They even had an opportunity to sit in a chair where Queen Elizabeth II sat, and acted on the stage where William Shakespeare performed. They also visited the room where Queen Mary was held. After the tour, the children and the Lord Mayor shared some refreshments. At this point, the children explained their MVP role and their experiences from their year as a mentor. Finally, the children had the opportunity to ask the Lord Mayor questions about her role. It was a fantastic experience and a great way to end the year. We wish all our mentors the best of luck next year and hope they continue to use their skills from their roles at secondary school.

CARERS' AWARD CEREMONY

On Friday 12th July, Mrs Harrison and Mrs Goode attended the first ever 'Coventry and Warwickshire Carers' Award Ceremony' at Coombe Abbey. We are delighted to announce that Coundon Primary School were finalists in the 'Caring School of the Year' category. We had been nominated by Rhupinder Kaur from 'Carers Trust Heart of England Young Carers' for the work that we do in supporting young carers in school, but also in helping to identify hidden young carers.

READING AMBASSADORS

We sincerely thank all our volunteers for the time they give up to support our children with their reading development and promoting a love of reading. It is very much appreciated! Have a wonderful summer. From Mrs Sweet.

If you have a little time to spare and are interested in becoming a reading ambassador at our school, please speak to Mrs Roberts in the school office.

MESSAGE FROM COVENTRY POLICE

Over the weekend of 6th and 7th July 2019 Coventry Police received calls from a number of members of the public who were concerned regarding large groups of youths on bicycles in groups of up to 50 in number across the city. It is thought that this was organised via social media sites and the actions of the youths is described as incredibly dangerous and inconsiderate. The youths were riding in and out of traffic and performing stunts on busy roads. Police enquiries have already identified offending youths amongst these group and further identifications are expected to follow. Positive police action will be taken in all cases.

The police have asked all schools to share the following message to their pupils

When riding bicycles during the summer holidays please do so sensibly and considerately and do not take part in social media led activities where anti-social behaviour is the result.

AUTISM CAFE

For families with autistic children.

We entertain the children so parents can relax and chat with other parents and enjoy tea/coffee and cake. Saturday 20th July, 2pm/430pm£4 per family. St. George's church (coffee lounge) Barker butts lane Coventry. From Autism Café Staff.

