

Ardleigh St. Mary's Church of England Primary School (Voluntary Controlled) Primary School Weekly Newsletter Number 1 W/B 08.09.14



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Welcome Back

Welcome back to the new academic year 2014-2015! We hope you had a good summer.

We would like to say hello to all our new entrants and their families who started this week and hope that they settle in quickly and happily.

We look forward to getting to know them all much better.

Welcome to:-

Amelie Andrews, Katie Banks, Kaci Bircher, Charlotte Bohanna-Smith, Joshua Brill, Daniel Cardew, Daisie Crilly, Jack Franklin, Chase Johnson, Paige McMaster, Jennifer Owen, Jacob Partridge, Charlie Peirson, Rosie Reade, Martha Scatola, Ava-Mai Shelley

We would also like to welcome back some staff to our school.

Miss Overall-Barnes has returned from maternity leave and Mrs Richardson (nee Laing) will be teaching Class 4 on a Monday.

If you have not already seen them about the school, you will be able to meet them at our

'Meet the Teacher' Evenings in a couple of weeks.



Meals - Lunch Menu The menu for the week beginning 15.09.14 is Menu 26



Additional Letters

*There are no additional letters today.

News

Gardening Club

Over the holidays Mrs Beveridge, Ms Mutimer and Mr Cole continued to run our Gardening Club so that the children could prepare their entries for the Ardleigh Horticulture Society Show.

The entrants did very well at the show, in their particular ages classes and the results were as follows: Chloe Adams - 1st - Decorated flower pot / 2nd - A cat made from fruit and vegetables

Alfie Austin - 2nd - A mouse made from fruit and vegetables / 2nd - Drawing of a favourite sport / Highly Commended - Greetings card Ella Thompson - 3rd - A snail made from fruit and vegetables / Highly Commended - Drawing of a favourite sport / Highly Commended - Garden in a plant pot saucer

Phoebe Lay-Flurrie - 2nd - Decorated flower pot / 3rd - Bookmark with flower theme

Jake Lay-Flurrie - 2nd - Greetings card / Highly Commended - Garden in a plant pot saucer

Well done to all the children who took part and congratulations to the children who were awarded prizes.



Kenyan Partnership

On Wednesday 24th September 2014 two more teachers will be visiting us from our Partner School, St. Paul's, in Kenya.

Their names are Grace and Purity and it is the first time they have ever been to England.

They will be spending time with the children in the classrooms and they are also going to visit Ardleigh Pre-School.

We are looking forward to welcoming them to our school and getting to know them better.



Mersea Residential Visit

Our annual visit to Mersea Island is approaching.

This year the visit takes place from Monday 29th September 2014 to Thursday 2nd October 2014. This year we have 42 children participating and it is great to have so many pupils involved in this event. The staff will be taking plenty of photographs so we will be able to share their experiences with you.

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Uniform

Orders need to be handed in to the office by Wednesday 17th September 2014.

New Book Bags are on order and will be in school soon.

Lunch Orders

It is really important that the children pre-order their lunches by indicating on the form.

They just need to tick whether they want choice 1, 2 or 3.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Dates For Your Diary

- *15.09.14 Swimming starts for Y6 letters sent out 08.09.15
- *15.09.14 Bikeability starts for Group 1 letters sent 11.09.14
- *22.09.14 New Entrants start full time.
- *23.09.14 Meet the Teacher Evening See attached flyer
- *24.09.14 Kenyan teachers arrive
- *W/B 29.09.14 Mersea Residential Trip
- *W/B 29.09.14 Lunch taster sessions for parents of the new entrants details to follow
- *30.09.14 Kenyan teachers return to Kenya
- *05.10.14 Choir to sing at St. Mary's Church, Ardleigh Harvest Evensong Service details to follow
- *08.10.14 National Curriculum Evening for Parents 7pm details to follow
- *13.10.14 Final Bikeability session for Group 1
- *16.10.14 Tendring Small Schools' Cluster Enrichment Activities Maths @ Langham Primary School details to follow
- *17.10.14 Safety Assembly PCSO Beer Safety at Halloween and on Bonfire Night
- *20.10.14 Final swimming session for Y6
- *21.10.14 Parent Teacher Interviews 4pm 8pm details to follow
- *22.10.14 School Photographs Individuals and Family
- *22.10.13 Parent Teacher Interviews 3.30pm 6.30pm details to follow
- *23.10.14 Tendring Small Schools' Cluster Cross Country Competition for Y3/4 details to follow
- *23.10.14 Break up
- *24.10.14 Non Pupil Day
- *03.11.14 Return to school

Non Pupil Days

- Wednesday 3rd September 2014 New National Curriculum training
- Thursday 4th September 2014 Outdoor Learning training
- Friday 5th September 2014 Safeguarding Awareness training
- Friday 24th October 2014 'Creative Curriculum' Joint training with Tendring Small Schools' Cluster.
- Monday 1st June 2015 Assessment and the new National Curriculum

Special Menu

Thursday 2nd October 2014

American Diner Lunch

After School Clubs Clubs starting next week are:

*Football - Thursday 18th September 2014 - 3pm - 4pm This club is for all children who signed up for it.

*Handicrafts - Thursday 18th September 2014 - 3pm - 4pm
As so many children signed up for this club a rota will be sent out on Monday 15th September informing you when your child will attend.

*Netball - Friday 19th September 2014 - 3pm - 4pm This club is for all children who signed up for it.

All other clubs

*Choir - to start Tuesday 23rd September 2014
*Gardening - to start Tuesday 23rd September 2014
*Get Sporty - to start Wednesday 24th September 2014
*Maths - Wednesday 24th September 2014
*ICT Will start after half term.

Watch out for the flyer about a new Music Club which will be sent out on Monday.



Please don't forget, if you have any issues or queries you want to discuss with any member of Staff please come in and speak to us.



Have a lovely weekend, take care - From all at Ardleigh St. Mary's