

# STAR PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS LETTER

September 2019

## Head Teacher's Message

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to welcome you back from the summer holidays. The start of a new school year is always a very exciting time in the life of child. The staff are really excited to get to know the new pupils and start the year of learning together. As this is the start of a new year it is an ideal time to set new goals and establish firm routines at home. You can assist your child in being super ready for school by making sure they get a good night's sleep (we always recommend lights off by 9pm or earlier for primary aged children), reducing their screen time and making sure they have all the right uniform ready for the next day.

This year we are launching our Rights Based Curriculum which will ensure that children's rights sits at the heart of everything we do here at Star. We will be talking to all parents about this during our first Parent Information Meetings (PIMs). The dates and times of these can be found in this newsletter.

This will also be the last newsletter that we are sending out in paper versions. From now on all newsletters will be going out electronically via parentmail as we are determined to reduce our impact on the environment. Please make sure we have your most current mobile number.

Warmest regards

Ms Von (Head Teacher)

## Fit Friday is coming to Star Primary!

Breaking news... Fridays are changing. As part of our Holistic Education Approach all children from Year 1 -6 will be taking part in a physical or emotional wellbeing activity on Friday afternoons. On this day, children will be able to come to school in their PE kits and trainers or change into their kits at school if they are in Year 1 and 2. We are starting this Friday!!!!

## Mrs Jay



We received the very sad news that Mrs Jay passed away at the start of the holidays. She was a much loved member of staff who spent many, many years serving the school community. Most recently Mrs Jay continued to work part time in the Nursery although she previously taught many generations of Star Pupils.

## Updating your Parentmail and contact details:

Later this week we will be sending out the contact details and emergency contact details that we currently hold on the system for your child/children. It is also really important that every parent/carer has set up and updated their Parentmail account as this will be the main way in which we communicate information, book clubs, parent consultation evenings and pay for school activities.

## Proud to be announced as the winners of the School Choir Wellchild Competition

Star Key Stage 2 Choir worked incredibly hard last year, both as fundraisers and musicians. They organised a musical theatre dress up day and a bake sale to raise money for WellChild and recorded a phenomenal version of Lean On Me for the Choir competition. We raised £670 for the charity and once through to the final 10, were judged their School Choir of the Year 2019. Our Star singers will perform at the WellChild Awards on Tuesday 15th October which will be live streamed. We are so proud of the work they have achieved!"

## **Staffing Changes at Star**

We said goodbye to some of our senior leaders last year and there has been some restructuring on the SLT. Don't worry, there are still plenty of familiar faces. Here is an overview of who is on the SLT to support you and your child/children.

Head Teacher



Lisle von Buchenroder

Deputy Head



Steven Carbutt

Deputy Head



Emilie Poulteney

Deputy Head



Jacqui Jennings

Assistant Head



Gemma Williams

Assistant Head



Lauren Borley

Assistant Head



Zoe Bagheri

Assistant Head



Lara Freeman

Assistant Head



Mateu Ramonet

HR Manager



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## Important Dates

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September  
9:00am Year 1 PIM

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September  
9:00am Year 4 PIM

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September  
9:00am Year 5 PIM

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September  
9:00am Year 3 PIM and Camping

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September  
9:00am Year 2 PIM

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September  
Year 3 Day Camping Trip

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September  
9:00am Reception PIM

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September  
1<sup>st</sup> Year 3 Group Camping

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September  
2<sup>nd</sup> Year 3 Group Camping

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October  
Parents Open Evening