



SANDWICH INFANT SCHOOL

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Newsletter March 2021

Dear Parents,

We are coming to the end of what feels like a long term! Although the whole school have only been back for a few weeks, the staff have been in school since 4th January. It has been a delight to return to what feels almost normal although the Reception and Year One bubbles are still in place and will be for the foreseeable future. Thank you for adhering to all the guidance and requests to keep the school community safe - it is much appreciated.

Aquila

At a governors meeting on 31st March we will formally close the school under Kent County Council. From 1st April we will have joined the Aquila Academies Trust. The CEO, Annie Wiles, will be visiting the school that morning. It is not the first time she has visited the school as we have been colleagues for a number of years but I am looking forward to welcoming her back and beginning to build this new partnership.

Rebecca Skilling

Mrs Skilling has decided to retire at the end of this term. She joined the school in April 2003 so has been here a long time! We have been really fortunate to have her level of expertise in Speech and Language, she has been invaluable with the support she has given children in and out of the classroom. We will miss her very much as a colleague and friend and wish her and her husband James all the best for the future.

Parent Reps

Unfortunately we have not been able to meet as a Parent Representatives group this academic year. If you have any questions, comments (positive or negative) which you do not feel able to share directly please get in contact with your rep who will share with me on your behalf.

Reception - Samantha Bushell, 07807 019035; Chelsea Arifaj, 07525 210983

Key Stage One - Megan Trevellion, 07805 343661;

Christina Sharples, 07963 200076; Kate Barber Perez, 07927 293557

Fundraising - Thank you so much for your generosity recently. We raised £328.90 for Comic Relief and £1,136.50 from the Sponsored Read. The latter will provide much needed reading resources for the school.

Reading Records

We have had some positive feedback for the new reading records which went out last week. Thank you for beginning to use them. Reading at home is the most valuable support you can give your child so please do start the reading record if you have not already done so.

I would like to wish you all a very Happy Easter and look forward to seeing you again at the beginning of the Summer Term.

Libby Wood

Dates for your Diary

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| Thursday 1st April | End of Term Four |
| Monday 19th April 2021 | Beginning of Term Five |
| Monday 3rd May 2021 | Bank Holiday (no school) |
| Monday 24th May 2021 | Art Week |
| Friday 28th May 2021 | End of Term Five |
| Monday 7th June 2021 | Beginning of Term Six for Teachers (Staff Development Day) |
| Tuesday 8th June 2021 | Beginning of Term Six for Children |
| Monday 14th June 2021 | Beginning of Sports Week |
| Friday 18th June 2021 | Sports day |
| Thursday 1st July 2021 | Move Up (Transition) Day |
| Wednesday 21st July 2021 | End of Term Six |