



New Headteacher Appointment

We are delighted to inform you that on the 25th September, Mrs Paula Barlow was appointed as the new Headteacher of Acorns Primary School. Paula will take over as Headteacher from Gail on the 1st January 2021. Paula will be joining a fantastic school with a Senior Management Team which will help lead Acorns from strength to strength. Paula is currently the Deputy Headteacher at Mayfield School in Chorley, she has done a fantastic job there and we're sure she'll do a fantastic job at Acorns too! We'd also like to take the chance to wish Gail all the very best in her retirement and thank her for all the hard work and effort she has put into making Acorns the school it is today!

Forest Schools

Janet Phillips is going to be leading our Forest Schools Initiative. All of our pupils have wellies and wet weather gear to allow them to access the Forest Schools area all year around! Janet has the ability to set tasks in the Forest School sessions which really engage young minds! In the Forest School, there is currently an area of Brambles which is currently acting as a deterrent to trespassers. Once we have the perimeter fence in place, we plan to cut the brambles back and throw down seeds to create a wildflower meadow. If anyone would like to help school by donating any flower seeds you may have or a monetary donation to go towards Forest School resources, we'd really appreciate it!

New Safety Measures

Over the Summer Holidays a new CCTV system was installed at School. The aim of the CCTV system is to create a physical/visual deterrent to the individuals who have vandalised school over the last few years. Already since the CCTV has been live, we have noticed a reduction in the amount of reported incidents of vandalism. As well as the CCTV, in the coming weeks we are going to have a 2.4m perimeter fence installed around School. This again will provide us with much needed protection against trespassers and hopefully bring down the number of vandalism incidents even more.

Boiler Replacement

School is due to have a new boiler system fitted, the work will take place between October Half Term and the Christmas Holidays. An appropriate amount of planning has been made to ensure the work will not affect the education or safety of our pupils and staff. This is a much needed replacement for school and will mean the internal temperature of the building will be much more comfortable all year around. It will also mean our energy rating will be drastically improved due to a much more energy efficient boiler being installed.

Dates for your diary

Monday 2nd November: School Re-opens

Friday 20th November: INSET Day

Monday 23rd November: INSET Day

Friday 27th November: Own Clothes Day

