

# Family Updates Newsletter

**Learning Together, Achieving Together** 

Friday 19th May 2023

## Head Teacher's Welcome

A big warm welcome to Yr6 pupils from St Giles who came to our school this week. It's always an exciting time of the year for our young people to reconnect with staff and pupils that enjoyed an exceptional primary education at St Giles. We have had the pleasure of getting to know our new cohort and embracing the positive impact that our new students and families will bring to our school community.

As we approach this time of year, thoughts rightly turn to which class and what class team our young people will learn alongside in September. As we are a growing school, we have an upcoming round of recruitment for Teaching Assistants and support staff. Once this round of recruitment is complete, we will be able to begin to share that information directly with families and young people. The aim is to do this within the month of June. However, we still have 8 weeks of the 38 school weeks remaining and a huge amount of fun and learning still yet to come before the Summer holidays.

Wishing you a safe and restful weekend,

**David Braybrooke** 

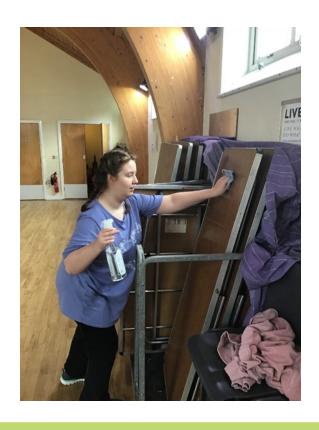
**Head Teacher** 

# **Plea for Placements**

It's that time of year again where we look to gain new exciting opportunities for our FE learners. Some of our best opportunities come from recommendations from people who know our learners' skills.

If you have a contact in a local workplace that would be willing to give our INCREDIBLE young people a chance, please please get in touch. We can complete all visits, liaisons and risk assessments and it really could lead to new opportunities for our students to put into practice all of the amazing skills they learn here. Please contact

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# Makaton Sign of the Week/Important Dates





# **Important Dates—Summer Term**

Half Term—29th May—2nd June
Inset Day—Monday 5th June
Last Day of Term—Friday 21st July



# Mental Health Awareness Week

During Mental Health Awareness Week, Skye students have been exploring feelings and emotions. We looked at the emotions scribble dot song, linking our feelings to colours. We created our own piece of work as a group and each student contributed by adding the appropriate matching colours. We discussed what each emotion could look or sound like and students did really well at spotting these. Well done Skye class!



## **Term Dates 2023/24**

#### Autumn Term 2023

Thursday 7 September 2023 to Friday 27 October 2023

HALF TERM – Monday 30 October 2023 to Friday 3 November 2023

Monday 6 November 2023 to Friday 22 December 2023 CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS – Monday 25 December 2023 to Friday 5 January 2024

#### Inset Days (school closed to all students)

Monday 4 September 2023 Tuesday 5 September 2023 Wednesday 6 September 2023

#### Spring Term 2024

Monday 8 January 2024 to Friday 16 February 2024 HALF TERM - Monday 19 February 2024 to Friday 23 February 2024

Monday 26 February 2024 to Thursday 28 March 2024 EASTER HOLIDAYS – Friday 29 March 2024 to Friday 12 April 2024

#### Summer Term 2024

Tuesday 16 April 2024 to Thursday 23 May 2024
Bank Holiday Monday 6 May 2024 (school closed to all staff and students)
HALF TERM – Monday 27 May 2024 to Friday 31 May 2024

Monday 3 June 2024 to Tuesday 23 July 2024 SUMMER HOLIDAYS – from Wednesday 24 July 2024

#### Inset Days (school closed to all students)

Monday 15 April 2024 Friday 24 May 2024

#### Bank Holidays (school closed to all staff and students)

Monday 25 December 2023 – during Christmas holidays Tuesday 26 December 2023 – during Christmas holidays Monday 1 January 2024 – during Christmas holidays Friday 29 March 2024 – during Easter holidays Monday 1 April 2024 – during Easter holidays Monday 6 May 2024 – during school term time Monday 27 May 2024 – during Whitsun holidays



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