

## **Trinity St Stephen CE Aided First School**

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Headteacher: Mrs Louise Lovegrove

22 July 2020

**Dear Parents** 

What a year! None of us have experienced a pandemic and a lockdown. We will all have lasting memories of this unique time. Some of us will have been lucky enough to have had some happy family time. Others will have been less fortunate and had many different difficulties to deal with, financial pressures, health problems, losing loved ones to name some of the problems members of our community have experienced. We also appreciate that home schooling has had, for some, benefits, but for others, many challenges.

Life in school has been the strangest of experiences. Since June it has been lovely to see some of our families back in school. We have had to quickly adapt our working practices for the majority of our pupils. Who would have thought this time last year that we would have become proficient with the use of video conferencing platforms? Something which has been unheard of in the education of young children in this country previously. Thank you to all the staff who have worked tirelessly to develop their skills in new areas and provide comprehensive resources to support the children's education.

Over the last couple of weeks we have been able to provide a range of experiences for Year 4. They have enjoyed a fantastic day out at Ufton Court and have all been in school for a day with some of their peers. Tonight we will be celebrating and giving thanks for their time at the school in a special outdoor Leavers' Service. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents of Year 4 for the amazing gift of a large contribution towards redecorating and resourcing the Sunshine Room. I would also like to thank the many contributions both financial and time that parents in this year have given the school in their years at the school.

During the lockdown we have continued to focus on the development of the school through continuing progress on a number of projects. The consultation period on our plans for the Sex and Relationship Education has come to an end and we will be delivering this in the next academic year.

Over the course of a number of years the governors have been looking at ways in which we can improve site security. We have taken a number of measures already with the support of money raised through the TSSSA, such as our CCTV cameras. I am now pleased to say that we have secured a grant to improve the front entrance and update the side entrance leading onto Oxford Road. We are currently working with the Diocese of Oxford to start this project in the new academic year.

Several members of staff will be leaving us over the summer. They will all be sadly missed and we wish them well with their new ventures. Mrs O'Neal will be enjoying her garden and putting her energy into her passion for the environment and Mrs Herrick will be moving back to her home county. I also received news last week that Mrs Case has decided to retire. Mrs Case has been here for twenty years and been committed to supporting the children in her care. We wish her a long and happy retirement. Please see the staffing information for September 2020 below.





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I have now received information from our Breakfast and After School Club provider, Tree Tops. Please find with this newsletter important booking information. The club will be running from the start of term here in school.

I wish you all a very happy, safe and relaxing Summer break and I look forward to welcoming you back into school in September. Please see below for the term dates.

Kind regards,

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#### Staffing for September 2020

Year Group	Class Teacher	Support Staff
Reception	Miss Frank	Mrs Hall, Mrs Cutting, Mrs Mohan
Year 1	Miss Horth	Mrs Jhita
Year 2	Miss Pugh	Mr Saab
Year 3	Mrs Manners	Mrs Bates
Year 4	Mrs Dewar	Mrs Brown, Mrs Wright
Covering staff planning and small group intervention	Miss Cope, Mrs Doran	
Lunchtime Staff	Mrs Wright, Mrs Rispoli, Ms Rogan, Ms Jackson	
	Mr Saab/Mrs Hall/Mrs Cutting	
Office Staff	School Administrator: Mrs Gilmour	
	School Business Manager: Mrs Horsfield	

### Term Dates

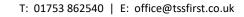
Tuesday 01 September 2020	Training Day (no pupils in school)





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Wednesday 02 September 2020	Years 1 to 4 start of term (Staggered starts and finishes, please see information previously sent)
Thursday 03 September 2020	Reception Children (surname A to J) 9.30am to 2.30pm. Please use the school front door.
Friday 04 September 2020	Reception Children (surname L to Z) 9.30am to 2.30pm. Please use the school front door.
Monday 07 September 2020	All year groups in school.
Friday 23 October 2020	Term Ends
Monday 02 November 2020	Term Starts
Wednesday 09 December 2020	Provisional date for the school nativity at St Agnes and St Stephen's Church at 6pm.
Friday 18 December 2020	Term ends
Monday 04 January 2021	Training Day (no pupils in school)
Tuesday 05 January 2021	Start of Term for all pupils

