

Happy New Year to all our families

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

We have had a really positive start back to school – children and staff are clearly refreshed after the break and everyone's ready for the challenge of 2020.

We had a very successful training day before the children came back on Tuesday. All staff - teachers, support staff, office staff and lunchtime supervisors - took part in training to re-visit a document called 'Keeping Children Safe in Education'. Alongside this, teachers started working together on a new set of expectations for how we ensure that children's experience of learning at Fosse is as positive as possible. As headteacher, I was so pleased to see teachers coming back to work so enthusiastically and with such a great commitment to further improving their teaching practice.

We have also had two really positive whole school assemblies – in the first children were encouraged to look at themselves to see how they can 'shine' in 2020 by being kind and supportive. In the second, children were given the chance to reflect on the challenges faced in Australia by the bush fires that continue to burn. Our pupils show themselves to be increasingly thoughtful and protective of each other and the world which is wonderful to see.

I would like to wish everyone a positive and productive year ahead.

Best Wishes
Richard Stone
Headteacher

A selection of events for the term ahead

Firstly, I would like to welcome Mr Rai to Fosse – he will be teaching Year 5. He has taken over from Mr Variava who left Fosse to pursue a teaching career abroad, just before the holiday.

A group of Y5 children will be visiting De Montfort University learning about 'minimal computing' while a Y6 group take part in 'Mathletics' also at DMU. Year 1 are holding a medieval feast.

We will continue to work with St Mary's Fields & Barley Croft Primary Schools to improve school leadership with joint staff meetings as well as meetings between senior leaders.

We will have assemblies from Year 3, 4B, 2G, 2HG, 1LH, 5K and 5V.

There are two Governing Body meetings scheduled – January 14th and 10h March

Parents Evening will be held on Thursday 5th March.

Half term runs from 3.30 on Friday 14th Feb until 8.45 Monday 24th Feb.

School breaks up on Friday April 3rd and will be preceded by our usual Easter celebrations.

Clubs and After School Care

A letter for clubs will come to you at the beginning of next week and clubs will start the following week – from January 20th- and run for nine weeks until the end of term.

Our after school care is continuing this term – we already have more children attending. Don't forget, you can book for a single day, the whole week and anything in between for £5.00 a session.