



Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was fantastic to see all our children and young people as they returned to school after their summer break.

### **School Role and Staffing News:**

Yesterday was a big day for all our pupils but particularly those who were new to our Nursery, or those who have moved up in to the Primary and Secondary departments.

They all settled in well on their first day.

We also welcomed some new staff to school:

- Rebecca Vaughan - our new Depute Head Teacher
- Meg Dowling - our new Music Teacher
- Lesley Murdie, Lucy Scott and Amanda Stevens – Pupil Support Assistants (PSAs)
- Fiona Moss – PSA for our returning St Crispin's class.

We are very pleased to have them as part of our Oaklands team!

### **Telephone System:**

A new telephone system was installed over the holidays and some of the messages have not been getting through to us. This should only be a temporary problem and we are hoping to have this issue resolved ASAP. If you have left a message and there has been no reply, please call school again between 8am and 4pm when the phones are switched over to the main office.



### **Home/School Diaries:**

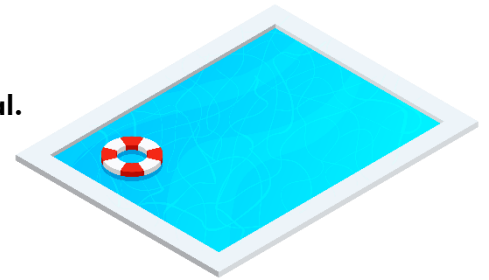
Unfortunately, there has been a problem at the printers with our home-school diaries. We have given pupils temporary diaries until they arrive. As ever, please do not hesitate to call the school if you would like to speak to me or any of the class teachers.

### **Swimming Pool:**

During the holidays there was a problem with our pool meaning it is not in use just now. We're currently waiting on a new part to enable the repair to take place and hope to have it back in use for the children soon.

Sharon Humble, our sports coach, has the swimming programme ready to go and will inform you as soon as the pool has been repaired.

**If your child swims at Ainslie Park these sessions will go ahead as normal.**

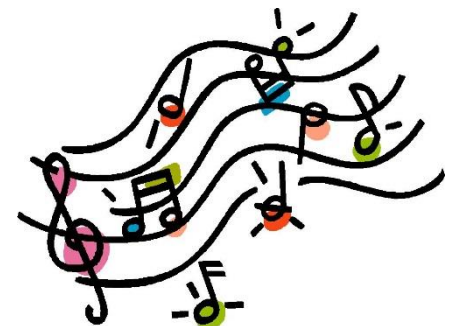


### **Fundraising Event – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August:**

Onto some good news!

We hope many of you will be able to join us for our first Oaklands fundraising event of the school year, a Fringe performance from 'Out of the Blue' – a fantastic comedy/a cappella group.

Expect vocal acrobatics, an eclectic repertoire and much laughter!



This is a wonderful opportunity to come together as a school community.

Why not encourage your friends and family to come and support Oaklands too?

More information is attached – please use the tear off slip to order your tickets.

Finally, we are really looking forward to the new school session and have lots of events and activities planned for the year ahead which we look forward to sharing with all parents, carers and friends of Oaklands.

Please do not hesitate to call if you wish to discuss any aspect of your child's education.

Looking forward to seeing many of you next Friday.

Regards

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