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Life in all its fullness

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Dear All

July is always a time to say, 'good-bye' and 'thank you'! As we say farewell to our Year 6 cohort, we are also saying good-bye to a number of staff members. All have a variety of reasons for leaving us and all shall be missed. As well as Miss Badham, Mrs Clee and Mrs Davidson, Miss Ellis is also leaving at the end of term. I would like to thank her for all her hard work, over the years, and for being so kind and patient with lots of our little people! I know she is greatly admired in Owl Class by her colleagues and pupils.

I hope all these ladies experience peace, love and joy in their future exploits.



Also...

I would like to congratulate Miss Smith who got married last weekend. Miss Smith is now wearing a wedding ring (you may have spotted it), but wishes to remain known by her professional name, Miss Smith or as we call her in school... *The Lovely Miss Smith!*

Congratulations to Mrs Diserens and Mrs Ray, who both have now worked at the school for ten years. Congratulations women, it has been very eventful! Thank you for your commitment and long service to our school.

It has also been lovely to see Mrs Rudman and Mrs Waters again – welcome back women!

Well done to all the children in EYFS – Year 5 who took part in 'Hansel and Gretel' today. Mrs Aylett has been teaching the children songs from the opera during music lessons and with the school choir. It all came together today in a relaxed but brilliant way. I am so sorry we were unable to invite parents, but we simply did not have any room because the production involved one hundred and twenty children. A big, 'thank you' to Mrs Aylett for her enthusiasm and vision with this project. It was a joy!

Thank you to the staff who have worked so hard to keep the school afloat, under what has been extremely trying times. Battling C-19, they have kept going and deserve an award for perseverance and commitment.

Annual Reports/Parents' Open Evening Monday 18th July 2022

It was good to see many of you on Monday evening. Thank you for braving the heat. I don't think the next Parents' Evening in November will be the same temperature!

'Mrs Bridson's Annual Summer Holiday Competition': Diary/Scrap book Competition

Once again, I would like you to make a diary / scrap book about your summer holiday. Bring it in to school in September. Prizes for everyone who takes part. How you present it is up to you. Please hand them in during the first week back in September.



Salisbury Library Summer Reading Challenge 2022 (More details were provided in the previous newsletter dated 08.07.22)



Finally...

Well done to our EYFS pupils who have completed their first year at 'Big School' and to all our Year 6 pupils who are being launched into the big, wide world. Remember...

DO YOUR BEST, BE YOURSELF, WORK HARD, HAVE FUN and ...

Remember us and you are always welcome to visit or not!



Thank you for your support for the school, we do appreciate your kind words and deeds!

Have a good summer!

Kay Bridson

See below...

A message from Mrs. Watkins and Miss Smith...

(Sent out this morning via Parentmail)

Dear Parents,

We are adopting a new Phonics scheme from September 2022, called *Essential Letters and Sounds*. This summer holiday, your child will not be coming home with any reading books. This is so that we can start our programme fully in the new year, and your child will come home with books that link to their learning in class.

However, we encourage you to keep reading! You can visit the library together, share the books you have at home, and there are free e-books available through Oxford Owl at <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/home/find-a-book/library-page/>



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More available on Oxford Owl for School. Schools who are registered with Oxford Owl can provide pupils with access to an additional 30 Oxford Primary eBooks, plus a separate library of 50 Read Write Inc. titles all for free using a class login associated with their Oxford Owl for School. [How to set up a class login](#) > If you need more eBooks, Oxford Owl for School has introduced a new annual ...

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There will a meeting on **Thursday 8th September** to explain our new scheme to you. We will also discuss our approach to reading books and what the expectations for reading at home will be.

Many thanks,

Miss Smith and Mrs. Watkins

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<u>Teacher Training Days</u> <u>2022/2023</u>	<u>Date</u>
Teacher Development Day 1	Thursday 01.09.22
Teacher Development Day 2	Friday 02.09.22
Teacher Development Day 3	Monday 31.10.22
Teacher Development Day 4	Tuesday 03.01.23
Teacher Development Day 5	Friday 26.05.23

<u>Church Services</u> <u>2022/2023</u>	<u>Date</u>
New Beginnings	Monday 05.09.22 @ 09:20
Harvest Festival	Thursday 29.09.22 @ 09:30
Christmas Carol Service	Friday 16.12.22 @ 09:30
Easter Service	Friday 31.03.23 @ 09:30
Leavers' Service	Friday 25.07.23 @13:30

<u>Parents' Evenings</u> <u>2022/2023</u>	<u>Date</u>
NOVEMBER 2022 Parents' Evenings (In person)	Tuesday 02.11.22 & Wednesday 03.11.22 15:20 – 18:00
MARCH 2023 Virtual Parents' evenings via TEAMS.	Tuesday 07.03.23 & Wednesday 08.03.23 15:30 – 18:00
JULY 2023 Family Open Evening – Parents and grandparents welcome.	Monday 17.07.23 @ 15:30 – 18:00

Please see the 'School Calendar' (e-mailed out today) for more details of events during the academic year 2022/2023 or go to the school web site.

