



# Preshute Newsletter

## Welcome Back

I would like to extend a very warm welcome to our new pupils in Reception Class and further up the school. We are sure that they will be very happy at Preshute Primary; the staff are looking forward to getting to know each and every one of them!

This is the first of our fortnightly newsletters that aim to keep you in touch with what's going on and to share important information. We send out a hard copy to all new starters as well as an electronic one for the first newsletter of the year, but thereafter we only send them electronically unless you ask for a hard copy. Please can you let Ange know if you didn't receive an e-copy so she can add you to the distribution list.

We welcome additional helpers in school so if you have any time to spare on a regular basis when you could hear readers etc, please sign up on your class list or speak to the teacher.

Also, if anybody is interested in helping at lunchtimes (paid position) please come and talk to Ange or Rosanna in the Office.

## Contact/ Medical Details

Please let the office know if you have any changes to address, telephone numbers or changes to medical conditions. It is vital that we have up to date information, so we can contact you in an emergency.

## Staff Changes

I am pleased to welcome a number of new staff to our school:

Chloe Seager - Year three teacher,  
Hannah Hawkings - Year five teacher,  
and 2 new TAs/MDSAs:  
Laura Leeming & Trudi Granger.

Congratulations to Jess Knowles who got married during the Summer and is now Mrs Wells!

Our teaching line up is as follows:

Reception: Miss Toni Holness  
Year 1: Mrs Jess Wells & Mrs Kanta Mistry  
Year 2: Mrs Helen Merritt and Mrs Sarah Grant  
Year 3: Miss Chloe Seager  
Year 4: Miss Amanda Lewis  
Year 5: Miss Hannah Hawkings  
Year 6: Mrs Mary Mundy and Mrs Jess Wells  
Mrs Nicola Stone will be providing additional one to one and group support until her maternity leave commences at October half term.

## Election of Parent Governor

You should have received a notification of the election of a new Parent Governor via email, so please don't be shy in putting yourself forward!

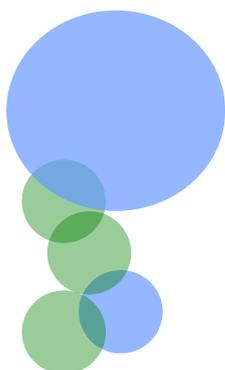
For your information, "Parent" is defined for the purposes of the Constitution Regulations as including "any individual who has or has had parental responsibility for, or cares or has cared for, a child or young person under the age of 18". It includes a person who the child lives with and who looks after the child, irrespective of what their relationship is with the child. The reference in the definition must be to someone involved in the full-time care of the child on a settled basis.

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## Celebration Assembly Book

We hold 'Celebration Assemblies' every other week in school where we celebrate birthdays and special achievements/pieces of work/ acts of kindness or good manners, which are proposed by the teachers. We have a very beautiful book in school (crafted by Mrs Connor) where pupil's names and their achievement are entered. The children below have been entered in the book following Friday's assembly:

**Year 6:** Abi - for asking great questions to improve her learning.  
 Alex - for challenging himself to achieve all learning objectives.

**Year 5:** Imogen - for beautiful English, Science and Maths work this week.

**Year 4:** Annie - for working exceptionally hard all week.

**Year 3:** Lucas - for great enthusiasm and work this week!

**Year 2:** Dominic - for setting a fabulous example about how to behave in Class 2 - super listening and concentration.

**Year 1:** Jessica - for beautiful summer holiday writing.

**Reception:** Well done to all of Reception class for settling into school so brilliantly!

## School Bus

Wiltshire Council have made a change to the bus route, so the last stop is now outside **Lloyd's Bank** on Marlborough High Street and **not going to River Park at all**. The fare has also gone up to £10 for 10 journeys.

## Values for Life

This year, linked with our school development plan, we will be explicitly teaching character virtues. We will focus on each virtue for 6 weeks. Once a fortnight the teachers will usually nominate one Infant child and one Junior child to receive a rosette award for best demonstrating that value, which will be displayed in the school hall. Our focus for the first 6 weeks is 'courage'. Our first nominees are: Isla (Y4); Holly (Y3) and Freddie (Y1) for displaying great courage changing schools and settling in so well here at Preshute.

## School Development Plan Meeting & PPSA AGM

We are very excited to be sharing the School Development Plan with parents next Wednesday (20<sup>th</sup>). We will be holding 2 sessions - 3.15pm (children can join the Fun Club) and 7.15pm and hope that you will be able to attend one of them. The PPSA are holding their AGM directly before the evening session, starting at 6pm. Refreshments will be served at both - thank you to the PPSA for providing this.

## Summer Reading Challenge

Can all the children who completed the Summer Reading Challenge from Marlborough library bring in their certificates/medals next Friday (22<sup>nd</sup>). We can then celebrate them in the assembly and take a photo for the next newsletter.

## A few Important Reminders

- We have children in school who are allergic to nuts and are at risk of going into anaphylactic shock if they come into contact with them. For this reason we are a nut free school and ask you to check that your child's packed lunch is, indeed, nut free. You will be surprised what you find in the small print when you look at the ingredients listed in some prepared foods!
- Along with other schools we also ask you not to bring dogs into the grounds as some of the children are scared of them. Please leave them near but not obstructing the school gate.
- To avoid gridlock at the start and end of the day we ask you to follow an unofficial one way system through the village coming in along Bridge Street and leaving via the Clatford Crossroads. Please can I also ask you not to reverse into neighbours' drives or to cause any obstruction - including the pavements. Please can you pass this information on to all those who pick up your children. Thank you for your co-operation.
- Remember to change your child's Year Group when ordering lunch from Sue Brady!