

**School closes today at 2.00 p.m. for the Summer Holidays.**

**The new school year begins at 9.00 a.m. on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019.**

**CHANGES TO THE LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT OF THE SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER:**

The following changes will be made to the Leadership and Management structure of the school in September;

Mrs Burns will be taking up the post of Acting-Assistant Headteacher as well as covering Mrs Gorman's role as Special Education and Disabilities Leader (SENCO).

Miss Loughheed will become Acting-EYFS Team Leader during Mrs Gorman's maternity leave.

Mrs Bolton will become Acting-Key Stage 2 Team Leader.

As was the case this year, Mrs Warburton will carry out the role of Key Stage 1 Team Leader in addition to her Deputy Headteacher duties.

**SCHOOL HOLIDAY DATES:**

The School Holiday Dates for next year are set out below. As always we will be taking a 2-week break in the middle of the Summer Term. This is intended to assist families in going on holiday out of the normal school holiday periods in order to benefit from lower holiday costs. Please try to take advantage of this instead of taking holidays during term-time.

Also note that the May Day Bank Holiday has been changed by the government to Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May to mark the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of V.E. Day.

School Closes on	HOLIDAY	School Opens on
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2019 at 3.15 pm	AUTUMN HALF TERM	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2019 at 9 a.m.
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2019 at <b>2 pm</b>	CHRISTMAS	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2020 at 9 a.m.
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2020 at 3.15 pm	SPRING HALF TERM	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2020 at 9 am
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Apr 2020 at 3.15 pm	EASTER	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2020 at 9 am
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2020 at 3.15 pm	VE DAY BANK HOLIDAY	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May 2020 at 9 am
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2020 at 3.15 pm	SUMMER HALF TERM	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2020 at 9 am
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2020 at <b>2 pm</b>	SUMMER	

**SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:**

The school attendance figure for this school is year is 96.3% across all year groups. This represents a good level of attendance. A number of children have achieved 100% attendance during the year and the very large majority of children have had very good attendance (above 97%).

**Good attendance gives your child the best possible opportunity to learn and to make good progress.**

Unfortunately, a small number of children have attendance rates which are not acceptable. If your child received a red notification certificate with their end of year report, this means that their attendance was inadequate this year. It will be essential that these children's attendance significantly improves this coming school year.

**It should be noted that allowing a child to miss school without a valid reason is now seen as child neglect by denying them their right to education, and as such could lead to the involvement of Children's Social Care in taking action against parents who allow this to happen.**

**GOODBYE TO MRS GENDLER-WATSON:**

Today is Mrs Gendler-Watson's last day as a teacher at this school after 14 years of service. We wish her every success in the future and thank her for hard work.

A reminder to the parents of children moving into Year 3 in September that they will no longer have an entitlement to a Universal Free Infant School Meal. A letter has been sent out in paper-form today advising you what to do if you believe that your child will qualify for Free School Meals in September. **UNLESS YOU QUALIFY AND HAVE REGISTERED WITH THE AREA EDUCATION OFFICE YOU WILL HAVE TO PAY FOR YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL MEALS FROM SEPTEMBER 2019.**