



SJSG FRIDAY FLYER

A message from Mrs. Otter the Head Teacher

Welcome back to all families after what I hope was a relaxing and enjoyable summer break for everyone. We are delighted to have the children back with us on the lower primary site and look forward to a year of learning together in an environment of happiness.

Over the summer break, we have been working hard to improve the school environment and the building/ classrooms look wonderful. We have had a lot of praise from external visitors at how fantastic the school looks; with new toilet blocks in places and both halls freshly painted.

I wish everyone a happy and healthy new school year and look forward to working with you all as the year progresses.

PE days for this academic year

Your children can continue to come to school wearing their PE kits on the following days:

Monday- Willow, Oak and Silver Birch Classes (Years 3 and 4)

Tuesday- Badger, Fox and Hare Classes (Years 1 and 2)

Thursday- Kingfisher and Heron Classes (Year 5)

Friday- Goldfinch and Woodpecker Classes (Year 6)

FS2 children will have PE on Wednesdays, but do not need a PE kit at this moment in time.

Details of the school PE kit can be found on our school website.

Open Classrooms

We are pleased to say that we are able to invite parents to meet their child's teacher in our 'Open Classroom' sessions. These sessions are an opportunity to find out more about the routines of the school day, as well as finding out what learning will be taking place. There will be opportunities to hear of how you can support your child's learning at home, as well as you being able to ask any questions that you may have.

All sessions will take place at 3:45pm in one of our classrooms on the following days:

Monday 18th September - Year 6

Tuesday 19th September - Years 3 and 4

Wednesday 20th September - Year 5

Thursday 21st September - Years 1 and 2

Friday 22nd September - Early Years (FS1 and FS2)

Can you help us please?

We are still looking to recruit parent governors.

All schools have what is known as a Governing Body. These are the people who work with staff in schools, to make sure they are reaching a high standard of education for the children in their care. As a school, our Governing Body needs increased numbers. We are looking to recruit one or two parents to join our Governors in supporting the school to continue its journey of improvement.

If this is something you are interested in, please email the school office (office@sjsg.beds.olicatschools.org).

When we have received expressions of interest our Chair of Governors Mrs. Ilona Bond will make contact with the interested parties.

New School Mission Statement

As a staff we have made the decision to update the school's Mission Statement. A school's 'mission', is the heart of a school community. It should embody the way all staff and children interact, and enable children to reach their full learning potential.

Our new Mission Statement is taken from the Bible (1 Corinthians 16: 14).

'Let all that you do be done in love.'

It is our belief that with love at the centre of everything which takes place in our school, children will feel valued and therefore able to learn to their very best abilities.

RAAC (Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete)

You may have seen in the media that many schools in the country have been affected by RAAC in their buildings. We are pleased to say we are not one of them. Should you wish to read the OLICAT statement on RAAC, it can be found via the below website link.

<https://www.olicatschools.org/raacstatement>