



It has been really good getting a proper sense of normality back in school after the last year and a half. This has included all the children mixing together again which is an essential part of life in a small school. We are looking forward to getting all the children together again for a whole school assembly in the next week or two.

We are really pleased to let you know that the building work has come to an end - well, almost! Apart from a few minor items, everything is completed and Swallow Class will be permanently in their new classroom from Monday. We will also be clearing the hall (which of course is now much larger) ready for PE lessons, assemblies and lunches very soon. We have made such great progress in the last three years, from a two-class First School to a four-class Primary School and with Robins preschool now an official part of our 2-11 school. We cannot wait to show you all around!

We will be holding 'Meet the Teacher' sessions in each class so that you can see your child's classroom, get to know the staff who will be teaching in there and also to let you see the changes around the school. These will take place straight after school on the last week of Term 1, with each class having a session on a different evening. We will then have a one-to-one parents' evening session in Term 2. The dates for the 'Meet the Teacher' sessions are:

Monday 18th October at 3.15pm in Swallow Class
Tuesday 19th October at 3.15pm in Goldfinch Class
Wednesday 20th October at 3.15pm in Kingfisher Class
Thursday 21st October at 3.15pm in Starling Class

Parents of children in Robin Class will be able to go into the preschool on either Monday 18th October, Tuesday 19th October or Wednesday 20th October at 3pm.

Now that the building materials have been moved from the playground we hope this gives you more room to come onto the playground at the end of the day to collect your child. We will line the classes up at the far end so that you can have the bottom half to congregate safely and avoid congestion. We will then be able to send your children over to you. This will start on Monday.

We will also be sending out a parent questionnaire in the coming weeks. This will give you the opportunity to let us know how you are all feeling about the school and give us ideas of what we need to be focusing on this year from a parent perspective.

We hope you all have a lovely weekend and enjoy the sunshine while we still have it!



Notices

- If you would like to get in touch with a member of staff from your child's class you can do this via your child's class email address, or for Kingfisher and Starling Class; the PiP book. Email addresses are as follows kingfishers@leighonmendipschool.co.uk, starlings@leighonmendipschool.co.uk, swallows@leighonmendipschool.co.uk. Goldfinches now have an email address of goldfinches@leighonmendipschool.co.uk
- Please return the annual permission slips and confirm the data collection sheets have accurate information about your child by signing them on the reverse of the form and returning them to the school office as soon as possible. Thank you to all our parents who have sent them in already.
- If anyone would like to be a parent governor, please return your nomination form to the school office by midday on Monday 20th September.
- All after-school clubs will begin next week.

Diary Dates for Autumn - Term 1

Each week starting on Monday 20th September

Monday	<u>After school</u> Sunflower Club
Tuesday	<u>AM</u> - PE for children in Robins and Kingfishers with Mr Groves <u>PM</u> - PE for children in Starlings and Goldfinches with Mr Groves <u>After school</u> Sports Club with Mr Groves
Wednesday	<u>After school</u> - Elliart Club
Thursday	<u>PM</u> - Swimming for Goldfinch and Swallow Class <u>After school</u> - Whizz Pop Bang Club
Friday	<u>After school</u> - Yoga Club

September

Mon 20th Children in Kingfisher Class in school all day from now on
Wed 29th Governors' Meeting

October

Weds 6th AM Harvest Festival in St Giles' Church. More details to follow next week
Fri 15th AM School photographer in school to take individual photographs of all children
Mon 18th - Thurs 21st Meet the Teacher sessions
Fri 22nd INSET day