



3rd July 2009

Dear Parents and Friends of Bishops Down,

Week 36/37 Newsletter

Staff Organisation 2009/10

With Caroline Powell moving on to her new school, I am pleased to be able to tell you that today John Tutt was appointed as Acting Deputy Headteacher until the appointment of a substantive Deputy next year. In addition Emma Bonwick has been appointed as Acting Leader for the Early Years Foundation Stage. These are significant career steps for both of these teachers and I look forward to working closely with them both.

Below is a list of staff allocated to the different year groups in September 2009. Congratulations to Cathy Spoor who has been appointed as the Year 3 teacher. Cathy began her career as a teaching assistant at the school and qualified as a teacher earlier in the year. I am delighted for her and know that she will do a terrific job in Year 3. As in previous years, Lorraine Smith will continue in her role as SENCo and teaching French. Diane Tizzard will continue to teach PE throughout Key Stages 1 and 2. In addition, Sue Clarke will be covering in some classes for their planning and assessment time.

Nursery teacher- Emma Bonwick	
Teaching Assistants	Sue Peters Heidi Cramp Nettie Hunt Ana Monkman Claire Donovan
Reception teacher- Alison Wilmshurst	
Teaching Assistants	Kate Smith Jan Cockburn Jeannette Magee Nettie Hunt
Year 1 teacher - Sinead Lynch	
Teaching Assistants	Jayne Sayes Steve Wellstead
Year 2 teacher - Helen Runalls	
Teaching Assistants	Vanda Paget Sam Stevens
Year 3 teacher - Cathy Spoor	
Teaching Assistants	Katie Baker Katherine Hunt Sally Bath
Year 4 teacher - Michelle Reader	
Teaching Assistants	Kelly Gurr Sue Lester Jeannette Magee

Year 5 teacher – Jane Clement	
Teaching Assistants	Ellen Stock Debbie Norman Karen Gillham
Year 6 teacher – John Tutt	
Teaching Assistants	Juliette Silburn Val Wadhams

Transition

Over the next two weeks a range of opportunities will be in place to assist children acclimatise to the change. These include class swaps, meetings between staff to discuss children’s progress, visits by teaching assistants to meet children and visits to pre schools and nurseries. We hope that your children will come home and talk to you with increasing excitement about the year ahead, though this may be tainted by some natural trepidation. An opportunity to meet the new staff will take place early next year.

Sports Day

Following the cancellation of sports day this week we will try a re run on Wednesday 8th July, weather permitting. I apologise for any inconvenience that this may have or may yet cause. The decision to cancel this Thursday was taken in the best interests of the children. We hope that a cooler day next week will help everyone to enjoy the morning in relative comfort without the danger of sunburn, heatstroke or dehydration.

Summer Playscheme

If you would like to book your child into the Summer Playscheme, please can you complete the yellow booking form which was sent home recently, and return it as soon as possible. If you need another form, please collect one from the office.

Active Kids Vouchers

The deadline for using the Active Kids vouchers from Sainsbury’s is fast approaching, and so if you have any vouchers, please can these be brought in as soon as possible.

Head Teacher Awards

Reception	Alfred	Mattie
Year 1	Douglas	Ryan
Year 2	Daniel	Charlie
Year 3	Freya	Celine
Year 4	Rebecca	Daniel
Year 5	The Whole Class	
Year 6	Rebecca	Freddie

Regards,

Dan Turvey