# Newsletter



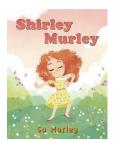
## **Newsletter 4**

October 20<sup>th</sup> 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to see so many of you at Parent Teacher Consultations. Thank you for all your positive feedback – it is greatly appreciated by the staff. Thank you too, for working with us in finding the right teacher in the right place at the right time; this is the first time consultations have taken place across two buildings so any feedback regarding how things worked for you will be valued.

The children have had an excellent half term, working really hard, and I am sure they are now ready for a break. I hope you all have a relaxing and enjoyable half term, and look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October!



**Author Visit** 

You may have seen in the local press, that one of our longstanding governors and former parent, Su Murley has had a children's book published – called 'Shirley Murley'! Su has already donated a signed copy of her book to the school library, and will be giving her time to visit us in her new role as author. She will be reading her book with the younger children and talk about the process of becoming a published author with the older children. This will take place on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November, in the afternoon.

The book is a charming rhyming story about little girl called Shirley Murley as she lives her busy rhyming life with her Mummy and Daddy and her friends. Signed copies of Su's book will be available for purchase at a cost of £7.99. Payment can be via cash – in an envelope, brought in on the day, or via the School Gateway.



# **Refurbishments & Upgrades**

We are continuing with the refurbishment of the main building; over half term, the main entrance, office and corridor will be re-floored, along with Mrs Wood's and Mrs Pyle's classrooms. Following this, the classrooms will be re-painted. We are still waiting for some furniture for the new building; I am grateful to Mr Browne and Mr Martin for putting up the new display boards to showcase the children's work.



## **Half Term Activities**

Due to the flooring being replaced over half term, entrance to the activity days will be through the extra Reception classroom (between Nursery and Miss Churchill's room).



# **Boccia Morning**

Well done to the children who took part in the Boccia morning from Year 4. Completing a carousel of Boccia games and skills, the children had lots of fun and tried their hardest. Thank you to Mrs Broad for taking the children.



# **Footballers**

Congratulations to all of the children who played in the Rural Schools Football Tournament this week. This was an excellent opportunity for a wide group of players to represent the school, and the children were fantastic. Although they did not win, they showed a great attitude and determination and Miss Doran – who accompanied the team – was very proud of them.



## **School Photos**

Proof photos have been sent home today – they are best viewed on line to see the full colour saturation. The deadline for free delivery to school is 5<sup>th</sup> November. For any queries, please contact the photography company directly at: <a href="mailto:info@nicolasanders.co.uk">info@nicolasanders.co.uk</a>.



# **PTFA**

Our next PTFA meeting take place on Wednesday  $1^{st}$  November, in the staffroom, at 7.00p.m. All parents and carers are welcome to attend – please come along! The next event is the Children's Film Night on Friday  $10^{th}$  November – from 6-8 p.m.



# **News from St. Giles**

Cafe Church is church, but with a more contemporary, relaxed feel. The Cafe at PMH opens at 10am selling hot drinks and delicious pastries. There will be activities for the children to try, a short video, singing and a brief talk on the theme of the day: 'LIGHT in the DARKNESS'. All are welcome.

Please remember that I am always happy to discuss any issues with you. Thank you for reading this newsletter.

Yours sincerely,

Liz Pollard HEADTEACHER