



NEWSLETTER

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Governors Update

I am delighted to let you know that our school has now joined the Diocese of Chichester Academy Trust. There will be very little difference in the day to day running of the school. The name of the school and the uniform are staying the same but you might notice the staff wearing different lanyards and an additional logo on our website and paperwork. Most changes are taking place behind the scenes concerning ways in which the school is maintained and governed. Instead of the local authority supporting us, DCAT staff will now be working closely with Mrs Weeks and her team as we continue our journey of school improvement. Changes in governance mean that governors become a Local Board of Governors (LGB) in partnership with the Academy Trust's Board of Directors to ensure there is effective governance of our school. I have been appointed as the Chair to lead and manage the work of the LGB. With specific delegated responsibilities from the Trust, we will continue to ensure that everything within the school creates an environment where all children can achieve the best possible education. We have now become part of a wider family of schools where there is a clear vision to uphold our ethos and distinctive Christian values alongside a commitment that every child should fulfil their God-given potential. We are looking forward to the stability and opportunities that converting to academy status will bring to St John's Meads. For more information about the work of DCAT please see <https://www.dcat.academy>. If you have any questions about our conversion to academy status, or if you are interested in finding out more about governance, please contact me via the school office.

Linda Caroe

Chair of Governors



Term Dates and Coming Events

Tuesday 11th February Year 5/6 Swimming Gala
Wednesday 12th February Year 1 Trip to the Downs
Friday 14th February Last Day of Term 3
Monday 24th February School Open—Term 4
Monday 24th February 2.30pm-3.30pm Aurora Coffee morning
Tuesday 25th February Year 3 Swimming Starts
Thursday 5th March World Book Day
Friday 3rd April Last Day of Term 4
Friday 3rd April 2.30pm Easter Service at St John's Church

Rainbow Awards:

Reception: Aria Ovaisi
Year 1: Dexter Johnson & Freddie Cornwall
Year 2: Tilly King & Sophia Wilson
Year 3: Lena Stevens & Alyssa Jourdain
Year 4: Emma Cameron
Year 5: Lexie Mclean
Year 6: Erin Farrell & Chae Wai

Year 5 & 6—Football 4 Peace at Brighton University



“On Friday 31st January we went to Brighton University Football4Peace. They chose football because it is a very popular and fun sport! We played in mixed teams with Gildredge House. A couple of the team names were The Pigs, Food for Peace and The Beans (the winning team!) We learnt about values that we had to use when doing the activities. They are respect, neutrality, equality, responsibility and trust. We also used these values as fair-play points and who had the most, won!

For further information please look at www.football4peace.eu”

by Leah and Tilly Y6



Sporting Achievements



Congratulations to Connie in Year 5 on being awarded a Merit in her Royal Academy of Dance Grade 2 Ballet exam this week.



Well done also to Daisy De Castro in Year 5 for completing Stage 6 in the Swim England Awards.

Year 3 Girls Football at Bedes



NSPCC Number Day



Thank you to all those who wore a number and gave generous donations this week in aid of NSPCC. You have raised over £180 for this very important cause.

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