



## HEADTEACHER COMMENT OF THE WEEK

As the end of the academic year approaches, I hope this letter finds you and your loved ones safe and well.

I would like to begin by thanking our children for their continued efforts during what has been a very unpredictable year in their educational journey. Despite the disruptions to their classroom experience, they have engaged well with their learning both at home and in school. Over the last few months they have engaged in a range of exciting activities including enrichment visits that bring our curriculum alive.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the staff unreservedly for their hard work and dedication throughout the year. They have been truly wonderful. Their ability to cope with the many changes to school life over the past few months has been remarkable and their commitment and care for the children of Reedswood is evident for all to see. It is now time for them to take a very well earned break over the summer holidays, I wish them an enjoyable and restful summer.

### Summer Club

Some staff have volunteered to support a summer club Week commencing 2 Aug including sports, maths, English & phonics – please contact Mrs Hammond in the office to book your space.

### Uniform

As we return to normal procedures for September please can you ensure that your child comes in school uniform each day and brings their P.E. kit to change into. Uniform can still be purchased via ParentPay/school office (limited stock left) all other purchases to be made from our new supplier.

### Farewells

We would like to wish Mrs Clift & Mrs Hall all the very best as they enjoy their retirements. Also we bid farewell to Miss Thorpe, Mrs Whittington & Mr Starr as they move to new schools, along with Mrs Bowen who has left to have her baby.

### Attendance, Punctuality and Conduct

We have made great strides in improving the attendance of our pupils and have achieved 94.23% overall. Thank you all for making sure your child attends every day and is here on time. I have also been delighted with the behaviour of our children and can say that all visitors to the school comment on the calm, purposeful atmosphere around the academy.

All children will be expected to attend school fully in September. If your child is absent through illness, please notify the school in the normal way. If your child has the symptoms of coronavirus, (persistent cough, fever, loss of smell) please do not send them to school and seek a coronavirus test immediately.

### Our Year 6 leavers

This year has been very different for all and particularly challenging for them. Despite this, they have coped brilliantly with the situation and we are proud of them for their fantastic achievements and the many happy memories they have left us with. We know that they will continue to make us proud in the future, moving on to the next stage of their learning journey, with confidence and the knowledge that they will be hugely successful in their chosen paths. I wish you and your children happiness and success in the future.

On return in September I will again complete a full risk assessment and inform you of any changes. I will put a copy on our website and text you with any government updates.

### Booster Sessions online

Teachers from across our Trust, E-ACT, are going to deliver live online booster sessions in English and Maths. The sessions will cover the key concepts from the academic year 2020-21, to make sure you haven't missed out on understanding the most important content for English and Maths. The sessions will run from Monday to Thursday every term-time weekday from September.

The time of the session will depend on your year group. You will be able to log on to your year group's sessions from school or at home. You can attend English sessions, Maths sessions, or both. More details to follow in September.

Please enjoy your summer holiday with your children ready to return on 6<sup>th</sup> September.

Have a lovely summer. Take care and keep safe.

Mrs Lathbury-Cox

## TERM DATES 2021/22

### Autumn Term 2021

**INSET:** Thursday 2 & Friday 3 September (*closed to children*)

Term starts: Monday 6 September 2021

**INSET:** Friday 22 October 2021 (*closed to children*)

**Half term:** Monday 25 October to Friday 29 October 2021

**INSET:** Monday 1 November 2021 (*closed to children*)

Term ends: Friday 17 December 2021

**Christmas Holiday:** Monday 20 to Friday 31 December 2021

### Spring Term 2022

**INSET** Tuesday 4 January 2022 (*closed to children*)

Term starts: Wednesday 5 January 2022

**Half Term:** Monday 21 February 2022 to Friday 25 February 2022

**INSET** Monday 28 February 2022 – Mental Health Day

Term ends: Friday 8 April 2022

**Easter Holiday:** Monday 11 April 2022 to Friday 22 April 2022

### Summer Term 2022

Term starts: Monday 25 April 2022

**Half Term:** Monday 30 May 2022 to Friday 3 June 2022

**INSET:** EID May 2022 (Date TBC) (*closed to children*)

Term ends: Friday 22 July 2022

## Walsall Right for Children Holiday Summer Activities Programme

### When do the activities start?

The activities will take place over the Summer Holidays from Monday 26th July 2021 – 1st September 2021.

### How to register for our FREE Summer Holiday Programme?

Please register your child/ren at

[www.walsall.gov.uk/children\\_and\\_young\\_people/haf\\_signup](http://www.walsall.gov.uk/children_and_young_people/haf_signup) using your unique code that you have been sent in the post on a postcard, or you can go onto our Walsall Council Home page (under Children & young people) and select Summer Activities.

### Other questions or need help?

Please email any questions to [WR4C@walsall.gov.uk](mailto:WR4C@walsall.gov.uk) or ring our Holiday Activities helpline on 01922 653899 (Monday – Friday 10:00-4:00pm)

### How do I know if I qualify?

If all of these statements apply to you, your child/ren qualify:

- Your child is eligible to Free School Meals
- You reside in Walsall
- Your child is between the ages 5-16 yrs.

## CLASS ATTENDANCE

RLW 90.49%

RLT 91.85%

**1CO 98.84%**

1VG 91.13%

2LP 93.1%

2CG 97.35%

3PG 92.7%

3HF 96.73%

4WC 97.5%

4KR 95.03%

5HT 90.94%

6HL 89.29%

6BH 93.36%

6RF 96.81%

Well done to **1CO**  
last week for  
achieving **98.84%**



Overall attendance

**94.36%**

**Newsletter**  
**Summer Term 2 Week 7**  
**Week ending**  
**21 July 2021**

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