



St Denys Primary School

News Flash

Wednesday 24th
July, 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the last Newsletter of this academic year and my last as Headteacher of St Denys. Congratulations to our amazing Class 6 who are leaving us today. They have been very good ambassadors for the school, shown a very positive work ethic and have delighted us all with their energy and enthusiasm. A highlight of the past week was the Year 6 performance which was a musical take on Shakespeare's 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'. The children excelled themselves speaking Shakespeare's lines and singing with gusto. I wish them every success in the future and know they will go on to achieve great things.

We say goodbye to several staff this term. Our wonderful librarian, Mrs Cleeter is retiring after an amazing 28 years at St Denys. We held a special celebration assembly to say thank you and the children shared their many happy memories of their time with her over the years. We wish her a very happy and relaxing retirement. We also say a very sad goodbye to Miss Khan and Miss Bandey. They have both made such a valuable contribution to the school and will be sorely missed. We wish them good luck too. In other staff news, we would like to congratulate Miss Gentili who is getting married over the Summer and will return as Mrs Hunt.

I have had a truly wonderful last few weeks which has been filled with very special memories and experiences that I will treasure. Our Summer Concert was a fantastic start and thank you again for the beautiful surprise at the end with your very generous and beautifully presented gifts from you all. This week, I have been invited into each class and had a variety of celebrations from the children including, singing and dancing performances, reading out memories and sharing paintings and playing games. Today I have had a memorable and very touching assembly. I have loved every minute and thank all the staff, governors and children for making things so special. Thank you all too for your very kind words and gifts, I feel extremely spoilt!

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, our unique and very special St Denys Community. It has been such a privilege supporting your children over the years, working with such a dedicated and inspirational staff team and very committed Governing Body. You have shown me such warmth and kindness throughout my time and leaving you and your amazing children has been a difficult decision. However, I know that the school will continue to flourish and go from strength to strength under the principled and compassionate leadership of Mr Davies very ably supported by Mrs Andrews and the team. As you know, the children always come first at St Denys and I know that will continue.

I hope that you have an enjoyable break with your children and wish you and your families happiness and success in the future.

Warmest wishes

Mrs Talbot-Jones



IMPORTANT DATE REMINDERS



SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING	Monday 2nd September
FIRST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM	Tuesday 3rd September
CELEBRATION WORK SHARE	Friday 6th September, 2:40 pm
PROSPECTIVE PARENT VISITS (for entry to Reception September 2025)	Monday 7th October 9:30—10:30am, 6—7 pm
HARVEST FESTIVAL	Provisional Tuesday 22nd October
LAST DAY OF AUTUMN 1 TERM	Friday 25th October
SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING	Monday 4th November
FIRST DAY OF AUTUMN 2 TERM	Tuesday 5th November
INDIVIDUAL AND SIBLING PHOTOGRAPHS	Thursday 14th November
PARENT / TEACHER MEETINGS	Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th November
LAST DAY OF AUTUMN 2 TERM	Friday 20th December
FIRST DAY OF SPRING TERM	Monday 6th January
SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING	Monday 24th February. Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd July.

INVITATION TO OUR CELEBRATION WORK SHARE — FRIDAY 6th SEPTEMBER

We will be working on some very special projects during the first week next year and you are invited to come and see what we have been up to. You can visit us in our classrooms from 2:40 pm where we will share with you what we have been learning and creating during the first week of the new school year. If you have more than 1 child in the school, you will be able to visit each classroom in turn.

