

A message from the Executive Headteacher

Welcome back after what I hope was a restful half term. This is always a very busy half term and there are lots of events planned between now and the Christmas break.

Parents Evenings are next week on Monday and Tuesday and parents should now have made appointments (please see information under the COVID Update heading). If you have been unable to make an appointment and would like to discuss your child's progress, please contact your child's class teacher for a mutually convenient time after next week.

Remembrance Assembly will take place in school on Thursday 11th November. On this occasion we will not be asking parents to join the assembly. We are hopeful that all our other events will be able to take place as normal.

Finally, a letter was sent out this week informing parents that we are sadly losing both Mrs Cox-Jones and Miss McAlpine over the next week. We wish them both well.

I would like to announce that Mrs Warnes and Miss Walker will be joining the staff team before the end of this half term to provide support in classrooms.

Have a great weekend.

Dates for your diaries

Monday 8th November: Parents Evening Tuesday 9th November: Parents Evening Thursday 11th November: Remembrance Assembly Friday 12th November: PTA Clothes Collection Wednesday 8th December: Owls visit Friday 10th December: Pantomime (EYFS & KS1) Sunday 12th December: Riseley Christmas Fayre Wednesday 15th December: Parent Forum 9am Wednesday 15th December: Carol Concert 6pm (KS2) Thursday 16th December: Pantomime Stevenage (KS2) Friday 17th December: Last day of term Riseley Church of England Primary School High Street, Riseley, Bedford, MK44 1DR

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COVID Update

You will have seen the letter sent out earlier this week regarding the local authority's new guidance related to COVID restrictions in schools.

We are being advised to limit visitors into school where possible but those adults who do visit are strongly encouraged to wear face masks.

Whilst this is likely to cause some anxiety for children and parents, we have enough precautionary measures in school to allow us to maintain as close to a normal daily routine as possible.

However, with Parent Evening planned for next week, I would like to ensure that parents understand that they will need to abide by the following guidelines:

- 1. Parents should arrive as close to their allocated time as possible to avoid the need to have large numbers of adults around school
- 2. Parents will wait outside their child's classroom to be called into the room by the teacher
- 3. Parents should wear face masks (if possible) during the meeting
- 4. Parents with siblings who may have a longer period of time to wait between meetings will be allowed to wait in the main hall (doors and windows will be open)
- 5. If it is raining, parents will need to wait in the main hall until their meeting.