

Otterham C P School

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Dear Parents

Now that we are in the final week of the 2022/3 academic year there are a few reminders and pieces of information to share.

TODAY ☺ Sports Day with BBQ, Tombola etc 1:30pm
Thursday 20th Go Active Cornwall Class 3 Leavers gathering with Tea & Cake 2:30pm
Friday 21st THE LAST DAY REMINDER – 2pm Finish ☺

As you may have heard on the grapevine, due to falling numbers and increasing pressures on our dwindling budget, we have been in the depressing situation of having to reduce our staffing. Now that various elements have been finalised I can share with you what the staffing situation will look like from September.

Class 1

Mrs Reynolds-Hart Monday, Tuesday am, Wednesday, Thursday
Mrs Ward Tuesday pm & Friday
Mrs Arnott Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

Class 2

Mrs Thomson Monday – Friday with Mrs Ward covering Thursday pm
Ms Sharp Monday – Friday
Mrs Foley Daily for Mathematics support

Class 3

Mrs Blackburn Monday & Tuesday
Mrs Humber Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
Mrs Foley Daily (except for an hour a day when in Class 2)
Miss Kent Monday am, Tuesday am, Thursday am & Friday am

I am sorry to have to share with you that Mrs Murray will be off on long term sick for the foreseeable future.

Mr Warren is remaining in the NCLT as a position has become available within Camelford Primary School. We all thank him enormously for the support he has given us over the past two and a half years and wish him well in his new school.

You may also have heard this next piece of news on the jungle drums. Following NCLT recently going out to tender for school meal providers, it has been decided that the money saved from not having school meals cooked on site but rather 'shipped in' was far too valuable to miss at this time of desperate stretching of school budgets. From September, meals will be cooked by Mark along with the team at Camelford Primary School and driven to school by Mark to be served. Recent increases in costs of ingredients has also resulted in a rise in price per meal to £2.45 from September.

There will also be slight changes to how bookings are made for the Breakfast Club provision in September. We are trying to ensure we have the appropriate food and staffing resources in place and so an advanced booking system needs to be in operation. Kerry will send out further information regarding this.

Could we kindly request that any money owed for clubs/trips etc on School Money is paid before the end of the week, thank you.

Anyway, to end on some happy notes.....

I am delighted to be back at Otterham full-time from September and am really looking forward to getting back in the classroom teaching your children ☺.

And even happier, I can now share with you some baby news. Mrs Thomson is expecting her first child early next year ☺. As excited as we all are for her, it is nowhere near the excitement levels she is feeling herself. Congratulations !!!!

Finally, everyone here at Otterham School hopes you all have an enjoyable Summer break and come back to school on Wednesday 6th September feeling refreshed and raring to go.

Kindest regards
Helen Ward