

# Steam Mills Primary

7.1.22

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year! We have been so pleased to welcome all the children back this week with all classes currently open.

A warm welcome to Miss Chamberlin, as our new teacher in Class 2! Staff and children have helped her to feel as part of the team already. Miss Chamberlin encourages parents to introduce themselves at and looks forward to getting to know you.

It is lovely to see Mrs Evans teaching in Class 2 on a Thursday morning. This is in place of Mrs Taylor. Mrs Evans knows the children very well already and was impressed with their excellent behaviour and attitudes yesterday.

Miss Carlson is enjoying teaching in Class 4 on Thursday afternoons and Fridays. Miss Carlson continues to do some teaching assistant work and teaching in Class 3 and is delighted to be able to extend her teaching role in line with her qualifications. Mrs Preece will join Class 3 shortly as an additional part time teaching assistant.

## Covid

Please continue to be vigilant about Covid symptoms and take a test if in doubt. Our updated risk assessment is on the school website.

Updated advice - confirmatory PCR tests following a positive lateral flow device (LFD) test result are to be temporarily suspended from Tuesday 11 January. This will mean that anyone who receives a positive LFD test result will be required to self-isolate immediately and will not be required to take a confirmatory PCR test.

## Mrs Symonds – Class 1

It is with sadness that we announce the early retirement of Mrs Symonds, who will be leaving us at Easter. Mrs Symonds joined Steam Mills as Early Years Lead and Class 1 Teacher in January 2020. She has made a fantastic contribution to the school and has been a big part of the Steam Mills family.

## Non-School Uniform – 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Thank you for the donations on the last day of term, what a lovely way to finish for Christmas! We raised £93.10 for FoSM.

## Diary Dates

### January

- 24<sup>th</sup> Bikeability Training for Year 5.
- 26<sup>th</sup> Rags to Riches Collection.

### February

- 18<sup>th</sup> Last day of Term 3.
- 28<sup>th</sup> Start of Term 4

### March

- 1<sup>st</sup> Class 4 start  
Gymnastics



## Head Teacher Certificates



### Pre-school

**Calypso** – for using lots of new words and expressive language.

### Class 1

**Carla** – for impeccable manners.

**Dexter** – for excellent reading.

### Class 2

**The whole of Class 2!** – for welcoming Miss Chamberlin and being so wonderful.

### Class 3

**Evie** – for her setting description.

**Maeve** – for not giving up.

### Class 4

**Jenson** – for excellent guided reading.

**Riley C** – super engagement and focus in class.

**Bikeability Cycle Training**

All of our year 5 pupils should now have brought home a letter for cycle training. Please could you ensure that this form is returned no later than **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2022** if you would like your child to participate. Thank you

**Rags to Riches**

Reminder that the next collection is on **26 January 2022** so please keep us in mind if you are planning to have a sort out. Rags to Riches have confirmed that you can use any bags, as they are not sending theirs out at present.

Best Wishes  
Mrs Davis