



# Shade School News

Every Child, Every Chance, Every Day

Thursday 2nd June 2020

Hello everyone,

We are now one week in to our final half term and I think we may have said goodbye to the sun for a while!

In terms of goodbyes we have few of our own:

Mr Pickering is leaving us to become a full-time foster carer. We thank him for all the work he has put into Shade whilst he has been here and wish him all the best in the future. Mr Clarkson will taking over his duties from Monday the 15th of June.

Mrs Clough stepped down from her KS2 and Y6 role three years ago and has since been sharing the teaching of Y4 with Mrs Leck. She has decided to completely hang her whistle up and focus on spending time at their caravan, developing her craft business and looking after her grandchildren. We thank her for her contribution to the life of our school whilst she has been here and wish her all the best.

Mrs Ford, who has been teaching in Y1 has decided it is time for a new adventure and, together with her husband, is off to see the world (when she can get a flight!) so will not be with us from September. We thank her for all her work and look forward to the postcards from exotic places!

In terms of staffing, I am delighted to announce that Miss McCracken, our current KS2 leader and Y6 teacher, has successfully interviewed for the post of Deputy head and will take up her role from September. Myself and Marta Zander-Gulaiczuk, our Vice Chair of the Governing Body, carried out the rigorous interview and were very impressed by the depth of knowledge that Miss McCracken displayed in terms of school improvement at Shade and we, and the rest of the Governing Body, look forward to her being an integral part of the strategic leadership of the school.

I have also sent a letter detailing staffing for next year so that you can share with your children who their teacher will be in September. More news on transition ideas when we finalise them.

I will continue to update you re our position as soon as directions from the Local Authority change but as always wish you all the best.

Mrs Clarkson

## Payments to school

We are pleased to announce that we now have School Comms to enable swift, cashless payment to school for dinners, trips etc done at the click of a button from home. This was overwhelmingly asked for in our survey earlier in the year. Thanks to Mrs Battersby who is working very hard to get it up and running.

The school jotter app will continue as this is a shortcut to key pages in the newsletter and an immediate way of getting letters and newsletters to you.

