

# Misson Primary School

*You already have your wings, we will help you fly*



Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to the final newsletter for this school year. This has been a busy year for us all at Misson Primary. By now you will have read your child's report and I am sure, like us, you are very proud of the results they have achieved. This year, teachers and pupils have worked incredibly hard, and have been rewarded by a very good set of results.

After a very busy year, all the staff and children are looking forward to a well earned break. Thank you for all your support this year. I hope you all have a fantastic summer holiday and look forward to seeing you in September.

## **Last day arrangements**

As has become tradition on the last day of the summer term, the kitchen will be serving up a seaside treat of fish and chips. In view of the continuing hot weather, and in keeping with the seaside theme, children can wear non uniform tomorrow, but please remember sun hats and sunscreen. Toys and games may also be brought into school, but as usual, no electronic toys games or devices.

## **Pre School**

Misson Pre School have been working with us for 2 years now. It feels like they have always been here and are very much an essential part of the school. The recent graduation ceremony was an emotional affair, but showed what an amazing job our Pre School staff do when I saw the confidence our graduates showed. The final steps to welcoming Pre School to Misson Primary have now been completed, with the launch of a dedicated **Pre School section on our website**, and a new caterpillar logo to match the schools butterfly theme.

## **Changes to staffing**

We will be saying goodbye and thanking the following members of staff for their fantastic contributions to our school.

**Mr Roberts**

**Miss Scott**

**Miss Whiteside**

**Mrs Grady**

We all wish them every success in their future endeavours.

We are extending a warm Misson welcome to the following people.

**Mr George** – our new Year 3 & 4 teacher.

**Mrs Sykes** – Who is a very experienced teaching assistant. She will be working with children in Reception and Years 1 & 2.

**Miss Jacobs** - Who will be joining our amazing Pre School team on Fridays

### **Summer Production**

I am sure you all agree that our summer panto was absolutely fantastic. The children's performances got better each day, culminating in a brilliant final night. I always remark on how amazing it is that our children are so confident, but this is no accident. Starting with Pre School, our children are on stage and in front of audiences every year, this builds high levels of confidence, so when Year 6 comes around, they are able to step into big roles without hesitation. This means not only do we get to be entertained well, but our children take this confidence and ability to stand up in front of an audience into their secondary schooling and adult life. I have been reminded, whilst talking to several parents over the years, that this is not something children always get in other schools.

### **Fundraising**

I am delighted to report that we have raised over £3600 since Easter to pay for improvements to our KS1 playground. I would like to say a huge thank you to all the staff and children who have helped organise and run the fundraising events, and give our very grateful thanks to all the parents and local business for their generous donations, particularly the sponsored walk which raised over £2000, and the very generous donations of stationery.

### **Reminders**

**Uniform** – Please ensure your child has the correct uniform for September. Logoed items are optional for all pieces of uniform except PE tops which must have the school logo to identify our children when competing with other schools. Further detail of our uniform are available on the website.

**Contact details** – Please make sure you keep your contact details up to date, these include mobile phone numbers and email address. We have had some parents missing important information because we did not have their correct details. If any contact information has changed please let the office know as soon as possible.

**Breakfast and After School Clubs** – We are pleased to announce that the earlier starting time for our breakfast club has been working well and will continue next year. The starting **time** is **7.45 am** and sessions will remain **£3.50**. Drop-in sessions for breakfast club are from **8.30 am** and still **cost £1**.

**Afterschool club** will continue to run from **3.15 to 5.45**, but we will be making a small increase in the prices. **3.15 to 4.30 will now cost £5.00** and **3.15 to 5.45 will cost £8.00**

To enable our successful clubs to continue to run smoothly, please could all parents and carers make sure they give 24 hours' notice to cancel a pre booked place, otherwise your ParentPay account will be charged, unless the cancellation is due to your child being too ill to attend school. Can you also make sure places are paid for in advance.

### **Children having packed lunches**

Please can you ensure that your child **does not bring nuts, or food containing nuts into school**, as we have several children with severe allergies to them. Could you also make sure your child has a drink and any cutlery they need to eat their packed lunch.

## **Looking Forward**

The following things are happening next term:

- We will continue to invite parents to the last Friday assembly of each month to see children receiving special mentions and awards.
- INSET days Monday 1<sup>st</sup> and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – school closed
- School starts – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 8.45am
- Parents' welcome morning – Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 9.00 - 10.00am
- Half term - school finishes – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October
- INSET day Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November – school closed
- School reopens on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November
- Autumn term finishes on – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December

There will be two further INSET days on Friday 24<sup>th</sup>, and Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July.

I will publish a list of events for the year ahead in September.

## **Start and finish times**

Please remember that **school** and Pre School **start** at **8.45** am. Breakfast clubs are available for all ages, if you need to drop off earlier. School **finishes at 3.15** and afterschool club is available for school aged children.

I would like to finish by offering the sincere thanks from myself, and all our staff for the kindness, generosity and support you have shown the school over the last year. We hope you all have a great summer holiday, and look forward to welcoming you back in the new school year.

Best wishes

John Birch