



# AVON HOUSE PREPARATORY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

Firstly, thank you for all your support this half term. We have appreciated those who have given up time for weekly walking, cookery and school trips. I hope you have kept up to date with all the school news via Twitter and the Latest News section on the website.

Ski 2019 to Italy was an amazing week with so much snow it was hard to comprehend where it all came from. I am pleased to see how many have signed up for ski 2020 and hope the conditions are just as good. The Year 6 PGL residential was very successful and I hope parents were able to follow the children's pursuits via the private Instagram account.

This half term the Prep Dept took part in the inter-house swimming gala which saw Morris as overall winners. I was so proud of those who find swimming challenging but persevered in their events. I would urge parents who have children not in swimming lessons to use the intensive courses run in the holidays at Loughton pool as swimming is a good life skill. Other notable events saw the ISA national netball finals in York where the girls played very well; we will miss the Year 6 netballers next year.

Young Musician of the Year took place this week with some outstanding performances from both departments and we are grateful to James Clements from Forest School for giving up his time to be with us on that day. The final was a nail biting affair but saw Kiran (Y2) as the Pre-Prep winner and Amy (Y6) the Prep winner. Well done to both children and all those who took part this year.

After half term our Sports Day takes place on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June at The Woodford Wells Club. This is an all day event with a family picnic lunch. The Pre-Prep track and field events take place in the morning while the Prep pupils have track and field heats in the morning and finals in the afternoon.

Attached to this newsletter is the staff list for next academic year. Mrs Suckling goes on maternity leave as we break up for half term and Y2 Flamingos will be taken by Mrs Ford. Miss Young returns from maternity leave and will support across the school. At the end of the school year several staff are moving on to pursue new ventures including Miss Bishop, Miss Maisuria, Mrs Massey, Mrs Gadhavi and Miss C Rooks. Mrs Price will be retiring which will be a big loss to school but we wish her and Dr Price a very happy retirement. The new staff joining the team will be in school for a variety of events this term which will give them the opportunity to start getting to know the children. All pupils will spend time with their new teachers during the final Monday of term as part of swap morning when our new pupils will also be in school. The new staff joining us come from a variety of backgrounds, both independent and state, and bring with them a new wealth of talent and expertise.

In a change this year class parent meetings will not take place until we return in September as we feel it would assist communication if this happens in the first ten days of the school year. Parent Packs for next year will be sent home in July.

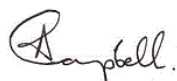
This year we have already carried out surveys with our staff and pupils to understand how they feel about Avon House. Mrs Best will shortly be sending a survey to parents so we have a complete picture of school. The results of the survey will be shared with Parent Forum where further discussion can take place. I hope you will all complete the survey as it helps senior staff and Governors to develop the school further.

Prize Giving this year will see some changes which are as a request from parents. Pre-Prep will have a Celebration of the School Year afternoon on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July at 2.00 pm followed by tea. Pre-Prep children will then go home to allow staff to prepare for Prep Prize Giving which will take place at All Saints Church at 6.00 pm. Prep Prize Giving is a compulsory event for all Prep children where we will join together to celebrate individual and school success. I hope many of you will join us for this event which will include formal farewells to our leavers as well as musical items from the choir and instrumentalists. A letter with full details will be sent out after half term.

In September we will be celebrating 100 years of a school on our site. The year will be filled with celebratory events starting with a service at All Saints Church, Woodford Wells on Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September, which is anniversary day. This event is open to all our families and I hope you will put the date in your diary. The service will take place at 9.00 am and should last no longer than an hour. A new logo for the year has been produced and will be added to all our publicity. I hope you will fully embrace this special year as it is quite an achievement for a school to reach a centennial birthday.

I hope you have a lovely half term break and recharge your batteries. We return to school on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2019 and I look forward to welcoming you to our events and special occasions as we enjoy the end of the school year together.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs A Campbell  
Head Teacher

### Class Schedule for September 2019/2020

Class now	Class in September	Teacher	TAs
N/A	Puffins	Mrs Chambers	Miss Donnelly, Miss O'Mara, Miss Wintle
Puffins (split)	Mallards	Mrs Tant	Ms Heath
Puffins (split)	Kingfishers	Miss Sanyaolu	Mrs Fergusson
Mallards	Pelicans	Mrs Ford	Miss Dogherty
Kingfishers	Cranes	Mrs Telling	Mrs Barry / Miss Rooks
Pelicans	Hérons	Miss Christey	Mrs Harris
Cranes	Flamingos	Ms Myers	Miss Young
Flamingos	Y3JM	Mrs McNaboe	Miss Weeks
Hérons	Y3GE	Miss Erratt	
Y3GE	Y4JB	Mr Babra	Miss Varah
Y3LM	Y4NH	Mrs Hooley	
Y4CS	Y5DR	Mr Reed	Mrs Gleadell
Y4NH	Y5CS	Ms Steel	Mr Evans
Y5DR	Y6HD	Mrs Dunne	Miss Dade