

# The Mordiford Mail

## Message from Mrs Warmington

What a busy first week at Mordiford, thank you for making me feel so welcome as the new head. I've enjoyed all the interactions I've had with the children, through collective worship, being on the playground and teaching in Years 5 & 6. As I said in the Monday email, the children are delightful, polite, respectful of each other and engaging to talk to. It is lovely to see the confidence they have when chatting to adults.



## We are delighted to welcome the following TLAs to the team :

Mrs Farmer who will be working in Y2 (Arrow), Mrs Marriott in Y1 (Monnow) and Mr Gladwin in Y6 (Pentaloe) and Miss Groves who is our new PE Apprentice.



## Welcome Reception children!

We are really impressed with how well our youngest children have settled into Reception, they have enjoyed finding their way around our grounds and learning through play in the class and today will be bringing home their first reading book.

Today we officially welcomed our Reception children into the school community. For this, we took our Reception, Y1, Y5 and Y6 children over to the church for collective worship where we were joined by Reverend Moore. He told us a bit about the church and its connections with Mordiford School and he led us in prayer. Children from the other classes gathered after lunch to reflect and celebrate the week's achievements. We look forward to a time when we can gather the whole school together.

The theme for collective worship today has been all about friendship and our Mordiford motto 'Treasure Each Individual'. Every day this week we have witnessed small acts of kindness across the age groups between children and it is wonderful to see how considerate the children are to one another. What a great start to the year.

## Meet the Teacher Sessions

On the days of meet the Teacher sessions, staff will park at The Moon so parents should come and park in the spaces to the right of the top gate or past the wooden gate, close to the school. Please make sure you are in school for a prompt start at 14:15. We will finish at 14:45. If you are unable to make it please speak to your child's teacher and they will share the information with you.

Date & Time	Class	Staff Present
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> September 14:15	Reception - Lugg	Ms Jodie Betteridge (teacher) Miss Lucy Harris (TLA)
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> September 14:15	Y1 - Monnow	Ms Bev Oakley (teacher) Ms Jude Marriott (TLA)
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> September 14:15	Y2 - Arrow	Ms Charlotte Quinn (teacher) Ms Lucy Farmer (TLA)
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> September 14:15	Y3 - Wye	Mr Ed Sibcy (teacher & acting deputy) Mrs Anna Chattington (TLA)
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> September 14:15	Y5 - Frome	Mr Rob Fair (teacher) Mrs Anna Chattington (TLA)
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> September 14:15	Y4 - Teme	Ms Janette Glover (teacher) Ms Claire Broadbent (TLA)
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> September 14:15	Y6 - Pentaloe	Ms Ann-Marie Cooper (teacher) Mr James Gladwin & Ms Alison Fraser (TLAs)

## **End of day pick up**

Thank you for your feedback and also for your patience whilst we work out a more manageable way forward to end of day pick up to ease the traffic congestion at the end of the day. This is an issue that we need to help each other with.

### **You can help by :**

- Organising car shares where possible.
- Arriving at the agreed time (see new times below).
- Moving through the car park quickly (stay in your car if possible & we will bring your children to you).
- Being understanding, patient and safe when it is particularly busy.

### **We will help by :**

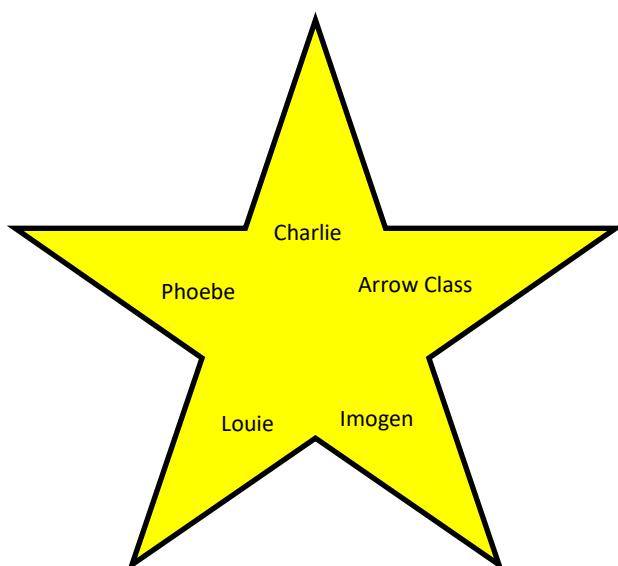
- Getting the children out on time.
- Organizing the children so we can gather them quickly to get to your car.
- Moving our own cars when we have school events (the pub will kindly help staff in this regard).

### **We have decided to amend the procedure in the following way :**

**From Monday 12th September**

Time	Classes	Families with more than 1 child
14:50	Reception, Years 1 & Year 2 Pick up	If you have more than one child, please decide which timeslot you would like to pick up your child-
15:00	Year 3 and Year 4 Pick up	
15:10	Year 5 & Year 6	

**Well done to our stars this week:**



### **Prayer Corner**

Lord,  
Thank you for bringing us safely back together,  
thank you for this lovely school family,  
thank you for this fresh start,  
Help us embrace the new school year with  
energy, kindness and confidence  
Amen

