



Newsletter 2

11th September 2009

The first week

Our first full week back has been a truly wonderful start to the new academic year. Not only have we been blessed by the wonderful weather, but we have been overwhelmed by the enthusiasm and energy that the children have come back with. We have enjoyed a few assemblies in our brand new hall now and we look forward to welcoming all our parents in the hall on Tuesday 15th September at 7.30pm.

New to the family

This is a great time of year, when we have new families and staff joining the 'St Paul's family'. We would all like to extend a special word of welcome to the following families:

Cho Family – Uijin in First Steps
Morgan-Jones Family – Ben in First Steps
Bhati Family – Akshat in Nursery 2
Gilchrist Family – Finlay in Nursery 2
O'Loughlin Family – Ronan in Nursery 2 and Dayna in Year 2
Wiley Family – Michael in Nursery 2 and Katherine in Year 2
Whitehouse Family – Joshua in Reception
Egner Family – Lois in Year 1, Martha in Year 3 and Christopher in Nursery 1
Harrison Family – Zia in Year 1
Cooper Family – Marcus in Year 2 and Daniel in Year 4

We are very pleased to welcome back a returning family – the Dadars – with Sienna in Nursery 2.

We hope that you will really feel supported by all at the school, and quickly become involved in the many activities that form part of the school's life.

We would also like to welcome Peter Darvas, Nathan Lee, Thomas Moynan and Teo Fux who are very excited that they have joined their older brothers and sisters here at St. Paul's.

In addition, we would like to welcome two new members of staff to the school. Husmita Dave is probably well known to many of you, as she has helped in the Nursery on a voluntary basis for quite a while. Husmita has now joined us at First Steps as a child care assistant. We have also recruited Emma Dunn to assist at lunchtimes and to stand in when we need some help in the school office.



Emma



Husmita

Dates for the diary

Tuesday 15 September
 Friday 18 September
 Friday 25 September
 29 + 30 September
 Friday 2 October
 Sunday 4 October
 Thursday 8 October
 Friday 9 October
 Friday 16 October
 Friday 23 October
 26 – 30 October
 Wednesday 11 November
 Friday 13 November
 Tuesday 17 November
 Wednesday 25 November
 Friday 18 December

Parents Information Evening at 7:30pm
 Celebration Class Assembly – Year 1
 Celebration Class Assembly – Year 2
 Year 3/4 French trip to the Ardennes
 Celebration Class Assembly – Reception
 PA Welcome Back Picnic from 2:00pm to 5:00pm
 Parents Association AGM
 Celebration Class Assembly – Year 3/4
 Harvest Assembly
 School Open
 Half term
 Public Holiday
 In-Service (school closed to pupils)
 Parent Contact Meetings
 Parent Contact Meetings
 End of term, 12 noon

Adult French Classes

Just a reminder that the adult French classes will start as planned on Thursday 17th September, from 2.15 - 3.25 pm in the new French room, on the first floor of no 3. This is a conversation level course, but if there are any beginners who would like Catherine to run an additional course, please speak to her or leave a message in the office and she will try to accommodate you.

Library helpers

Anybody who would like to come along and help in the library would be most welcome. We need people to help children when the classes come down to the library to choose their books, and we also need helping hands for general library maintenance tasks. Coffee and biscuits guaranteed. Please contact Valerie (or leave a message at the office) or Sian Macey (Ella and Anna's mum.) We will arrange an initial meeting for volunteers during the week beginning 21st September. Details to follow.