

# Sebert Wood Primary School

## Parent/Carer Update



Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

And so we reach the end of another year – it doesn't seem long since we were performing Christmas plays! We hope the children enjoyed their transition days this week, getting to know new staff and routines and asking any questions they may have. More information about transition can be found on our website.

Today we said farewell to our Year 6 pupils and their families. We wish them well in their next steps, and thank parents and carers for their support during their time with us. The children are growing into wonderful young adults.

The end of term also brings some staffing changes – we say goodbye to Sheila Fellingham from our kitchen who has worked at the school for 30 years! Also retiring is teaching assistant Viv Feveyear, who has worked here for 25 years. Leaving to take the next steps in their careers are Jess Norris, Will Stobbart and Megan Billmen. We wish them all well! We also congratulate Mr Nick Wells on his appointment as Assistant Headteacher – he will remain as Key Stage 2 Leader.

The summer holidays can be a difficult time for some families, particularly with regard to food, finance and keeping children occupied. [West Suffolk Council](#) has some useful information on activities and meals for families in need, as well as some key cost of living advice.

We are often asked how to support children's learning through the holidays. Although all children need downtime, freedom and boredom (!), please encourage them to keep reading. We have also attached some ideas of literacy activities the children could try if desired.

Finally we'd like to thank all the staff at Sebert Wood for their efforts this year. They have helped our children to learn and grow in a safe and caring environment. We are very proud of our school, and we hope you are too.

Have a wonderful summer,

Mr James Tottie, Headteacher, and Mr Jamie Winch, Deputy Head

### World Record Attempt

We counted 287 (64% of the school) active travellers to school on Tuesday, which is amazing! Thank you so much for your support. Look out for further attempts at breaking these figures next term!!

### Dates for your diary

#### September 2023

Monday 4 and Tuesday 5 September

PD Days

Wednesday 6

First day back for pupils

## School website

Our website has been updated with details for the autumn term including lunch menu, PE timetable and clubs.

## Water Safety message from Suffolk Constabulary School Liaison Officer

*We have recently had reports in to the Police with regards to young people accessing private land that has lakes or sections of rivers running through it to use the water to swim/play in hot weather.*

*Aside from making the landowners very anxious as to the dangers this can cause to the young people in case they get into difficulty in the water due to reeds/mud and debris unseen, it has also caused criminal damage to fencing, gates etc and has had to be replaced at a cost to the landowner.*

*On one occasion one young person suffered an injury as a result which could have been life changing for them and their family.*

*I would be really grateful if you could ensure the pupils and parents are reminded/made aware of the dangers not only of open water but accessing and damaging private property, which could all lead to serious injury.*

**PCSO 3349 Rachel Darvill**

## Pupil achievements

We are very proud of Amelie for performing in the *Academy of Movement Born to Fly Show*.

Also, a big well done to Kyson who met his target of scoring 26 runs in July resulting in him raising £150!



**WOW, it's been a busy year!**

**And thanks to you we've raised an amazing £8,450.82!**

**£6,229.61 has already gone back in to school to purchase equipment and fund activities for the children.**



**Christmas Fayre** **Sebert WoodStock**  
Summer Festival

Without our wonderful volunteers we wouldn't be able to hold these fantastic fundraising events. If you'd like to be part of the FOSWS team please email [fosws@sebschool.co.uk](mailto:fosws@sebschool.co.uk)

See you in September!