

Rackheath Primary School

Newsletter

7th September 2012

A very warm welcome to the new school year!

I would like to begin by introducing myself and – much as I dislike photos of myself - include a photo so you will know who I am when you see me in school!

I am very much looking forward to getting to know, and learning with, all the children, parents and school community. The links between home and school are absolutely vital to children enjoying, valuing and making excellent progress in their learning at school. I will also be writing this newsletter weekly and be on the playground most mornings and at the end of the day to aid these links.

I'm not sure I wish to admit it but I have been in teaching for more than 30 years now and have been a Head Teacher for the past 12 years in Norfolk and London. I thoroughly enjoy the role and can already see that Rackheath Primary School is a very special place with many considerable strengths, across a wide range of aspects of the children's development. These we will continue to build upon and develop our learning community still further with my experience and support informed by input from the wider community.

For me it is all about learning and happy, engaged, valued children with the right amount of challenge will achieve this, so along with the staff we will be ensuring that there are appropriate learning behaviours and celebration of success. We have some new plans on how we will do this, so please keep an eye out for more information.



I have received a very warm welcome from the children and staff and I look forward to my time at Rackheath Primary School and together I am sure that we will achieve yet more.

Welcomes

We are very pleased to welcome Lewis Roland-Stone, Benjamin Finch and Hayden Parfitt-Bland and hope that you will enjoy learning with us.

We also welcome our new Reception children, who I have to say have settled in so well: Emily Addison, Kylah-Mai Baker-Griffin, Louie Bond, Rebecca Burrows, Isobel Crisp, Melissa Downs, Oliver Grimmer, Caedn Huckle, Alfred Hughes, Aaron Knights, Bethan Lancaster, Isabelle Mann, Katie Moore, Mason Parfitt-Bland, Phoebe Player, Josh Rivett, Ethan Royston, Hannah Scotton, Lily Stone, Billie Turner, Rory Watts and Lola Wickham

Meet the Teacher

You will soon be hearing from the Class Teachers about an opportunity to come in and meet the teacher, find out about the class routines and what the children will be learning this term.

Website

There has been a huge amount of work going on to get our website ready for a launch. It is almost there! It is very exciting and there will be class pages where you will be able to see what the children have been doing and sometimes bits of their work too! We will keep you posted on this.

Dates

We are busy working on our school calendar and will send out a list of dates as soon as we can.

Dinner Money

This should be brought into school on a Monday morning to order hot dinners for the week although a packed lunch can be ordered on the day if necessary. Please ensure payment is in a named envelope detailing days required. We can accept cash or cheque but unfortunately are unable to give change. Cheques should be made payable to Rackheath Primary School.

Car Parking

Just a reminder that the school car park is for staff use only and should not be used at the beginning and end of the day for dropping off and collecting children.

With best wishes

Jim Shearby