

Wow! What a fabulous year we have had at Little Heaton Church of England Primary School this year.

Thank you to all our families and the local community for the warm way in which I have been welcomed into the Little Heaton C of E Family, since I began the role as Head teacher in January 2018. A massive thank you to all the staff and governors who have also ensured that our journey together so far has been filled with fun, laughter and determination to achieve the very best outcomes for all the pupils within our school. Any period of change can be 'strange' but you have ensured that we are all focused on the most important 'X factor' of all- the children. You have ensured that we are keeping the children at the heart of all we do and supporting the staff and governors in the current climate of academic and financial challenges for all Schools within England.

Thank you so much for the excellent attendance at our recent Presentation evening, year 6 leaver's services and musical celebration events over the last two weeks. Your support of our children's creativity, unique talents and hard work is a joy to witness.

A HUGE 'Good luck and Bon Voyage' to our amazing year6's: who tonight leave us for the last time as they transfer to High School. It has been a delight to observe their dedication to learning and commitment to being 'Little Heaton stars' since I commenced my role in January 2018. We wish you and your families all the luck in the world and know that you leave us confident and capable to face the new challenges in your next learning adventure. Further congratulations to our Year 6 team for their hard work and going the extra mile (including all the staff across school, who supported our booster clubs) as a result, we are delighted to share that all children have achieved a fabulous over all % in the KS2 SATS. (Both combined and in individual subject areas) We know lots of families will be celebrating their children's hard work and super efforts upon opening their SATs scores and final reports this week! Whilst 'test scores' can be lovely, at Little Heaton C of E our children are more than a 'test score.' They are artists, musicians, athletes, authors, scientists, mathematicians and kind citizens of the world who we are proud to now 'release' to fly to even greater heights of success.

Wishing you all a lovely and safe holiday – Miss Hulme. (Head Teacher)

Don't forget children return on September 5th 2018 at 8:55 am. Hopefully the 'back gates' will be open by then!



Changes to our After School Club provision:

Unfortunately, due to the After School clubs current financial position and the decrease in the number of children regularly using the After School Club over the past academic year; the difficult (but necessary) decision has been taken to no longer offer this provision from September 1st 2018, as a school offer. We have attempted to outsource to a private provider so that this service, which is used by a small number of our families can continue in some form in September 2018.

A private provider will be offering an After School Club service (initially as a trail) **from Monday September 10th**. Mrs Duckworth and Mrs Onley will be running an After School Provision as a private provider on the school site each week day evening from 3:30pm until 5:30pm at a standard rate of £7.00 per child.

Booking forms for this service must be completed in advance and payment for each week must be made by the Friday for the place the following week to be held for each child.

Good Luck and Thank you!

On behalf of all governors, staff, children and families we would like to wish 'good luck' to Mrs Richardson who is retiring after 17 years at little Heaton C of E and 40 years in education!

Mrs West has exciting challenges ahead in her new post in Bury and Miss Scott is returning to the North East.

Mrs Duckworth is also facing new challenges in very exciting way which keeps her close to Little Heaton C of E, by leading a private After School Club from September 10th. More details will follow in September.

Dates for the Diary

School restarts: 5th September 2018 at

School Meals

Just a reminder that school meals are set to increase to £2.15 per day £10.75 per week from September 1st 2018. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children will still receive universal free school meals. Please can all families complete and return the Pupil Premium funding letters which will be sent home in September- it can help school receive much needed funds for the children, even if you choose not to have a 'school meal.' A draw for a Kindle Fire 7 HD will take place with the names of all those who return the forms by 13.9.18.

Little Heaton STARS after school activity clubs:

All activity clubs will begin the week beginning September 10th 2018. A Charge of £3.00 per child to fund resources as these activities are outside of the curriculum events.

A contract form must be signed and returned by Friday 7th September 2018 and payments made in advance. Clubs begin at 3:30 and children must be collected at 4:30 from the main entrance.

Mondays: Cookery - Reception and KS1 Mrs Webster and Mrs Turpin Gardening and Eco warriors: Mrs McCabe
Tuesday: Craft club Mrs Laycock

(Invited children first) Arch Bishop of York - similar to D of E awards, £5.00 runs for 16 weeks Mrs McCabe & Mrs Shires

Wednesdays: Messy Church (Rev. Jackie) (Music TBC Rochdale Music service)

Thursdays: Young Voices: Mrs Chambers

Thursdays: KS2 Tag rugby with Rochdale Hornets (Music TBC Rochdale Music service)

Fridays: Cookery KS2 Miss Hulme and Mrs McQuaid Sports TBC (outside provider)

Music service - separate letters from Rochdale Music service will be sent home in September for individual / small group lessons. Estimated at £3- £4 per child per session (Ideally 12-15 children in a lesson will keep costs to £3.08 per child per session)