



Portesbery School Newsletter

September 2011

a happy school where every one matters

New term

Welcome back. I hope that you all had an enjoyable holiday! It was lovely to see all of the pupils after the summer break and hearing about all of their news.

We are now already 2 weeks into the Autumn term and all of the classes are settling into their routines well. All of our new staff and pupils have made a good start too.

As you know, Sam Coomber was appointed as our Assistant Head, so now she will be overseeing the Primary Department, allowing Cathryn to focus on the Secondary and FE Departments.

We also have some exciting building works planned to improve the front of the school and provide a new front office and meeting room. These works are scheduled to begin in the October half term. There will be some disruptions to the staff in terms of temporary arrangements, but the pupils will be unaffected. We will keep you posted with how this is progressing! I am looking forward to seeing many of you on Wednesday evening.

Matthew

Summer Club

Summer Club was a great success again this year.

Students and staff enjoyed lots of trips out including swimming at Coral Reef, playing at the The Look Out, and a walk along the canal at Frimley Lodge.

Matt from Chelsea FC Coaching joined us again this year and lead some football and basketball sessions in the hall as well as at Camberley Park playing field.

Thank you to those parents who have returned the evaluation forms. Can I please ask those who haven't yet to return them this week, as these will help to support our funding application for next year.

Thank you to staff who helped to make this years' Summer Club a big success

Sam



Staffing News



Over the holidays Karen, our Office Manager, resigned and she will not be returning to school.

We wish her all the best for her future.

Friday Assembly

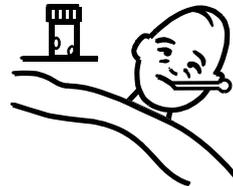
As many of you know, we have a Hands Assembly every Friday at 3pm. This is a time where the whole school celebrates the student's achievements by giving hands and certificates.

We welcome visitors at this time so please feel free to come in and share our celebrations.



Attendance Management

We have updated the Attendance Policy and intend to put it on the website over the next few days. Please familiarise yourself with the contents as it details the procedures to follow if your child is unwell.



It is hoped that this policy will enable a more consistent approach across the school.

Dates for the half term

Wed 21st Sept— **Parent's Evening**

Thur 6th Oct—**PTA meeting** (in FE).

Fri 21st Oct—**INSET**.

Mon 24th—Fri 28th Oct—**Half Term**.

Mon 31st Oct—**Back to school**

