



# Western Springs Primary School

## Welcome

*Welcome to the first of our 'new-style' Western Springs Newsletters. Through these newsletters, we hope to improve communication and to ensure that parents feel a part of our community and are aware of any upcoming changes as well as events to be celebrated.*

*I would like to take this opportunity to thank everybody in the Western Springs community for making me feel so welcome. I feel very fortunate to be working with your children and look forward to strengthening the partnership between home and school in the months ahead.*

*Kind regards*

*Rebecca Willington (Acting Headteacher)*

## Meet the Team 2019

The current class structure for September 2019-2020 is as follows:

**Nursery: Led by Miss Stephens**

**Acorn Class (Rec/Year 1): Mrs Crawford**

**Oak Class (Year 2/ Year 3): Mrs Power**

**Beech Class (Year 3/Year 4): Miss Price**

**Elm Class (Year 5/ Year 6): Mr Wiggett**

**Children will meet their new teachers on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July.**

## Introducing Mr Wiggett

Hello! Firstly I'd like to say how excited I am to be joining the team at Western Springs Primary School as Deputy Head Teacher. I look forward to meeting all of the children and getting to know parents. I have been a teacher for 13 years and in that time have taught in all age groups.

As a teacher, my aim has always been to make learning fun. I enjoy working in a creative and safe environment where children can be the best that they can be.

Self-confidence and a belief in one's ability to improve through resilience are attributes I aim to instil in the children I teach. Although I enjoy all areas of the curriculum, I love to teach Maths and P.E the most!

In my free time I like to spend time with my family, playing in the garden with my children and I enjoy playing basketball and football (I support Aston Villa). My favourite author is Linwood Barclay but when I was little my favourite book was 'Fantastic Mr Fox'!

I look forward to getting to know you more in September and hope you all have a great summer!





## Introducing Miss Price

Hi, I am Miss Price. I currently teach a Year 3 class in a school in Staffordshire and I am excited to work with Year 3 and 4 in September at your school.

As a teacher, I always aim to make learning fun by targeting the interests of my class. I believe that children work best in a safe and stimulating environment which displays the work the children have done to show off their talents. I put a great emphasis on resilience and self-confidence, always urging my children to be brave and try, try, try!

After a hard day's work, I enjoy going to the gym and exercising, followed by some cuddles with my beloved cat Frank. I am extremely excited for my new class and to start our new adventure.

I hope you all have a wonderful summer holiday and look forward to the amazing learning journey ahead of us!

## Summer Fair

Thank you to everybody who came along to our recent Summer Fair. We are pleased to announce that your contributions raised **£385** which will provide additional resources and educational experiences for your children.

## We are a no smoking site!

We would like to remind all visitors to our site that we are a **no-smoking** site. We also ask that visitors refrain from smoking around the access points to our site, for the benefit of our children. This includes the use of 'Vaping'.

## The Little Bridge

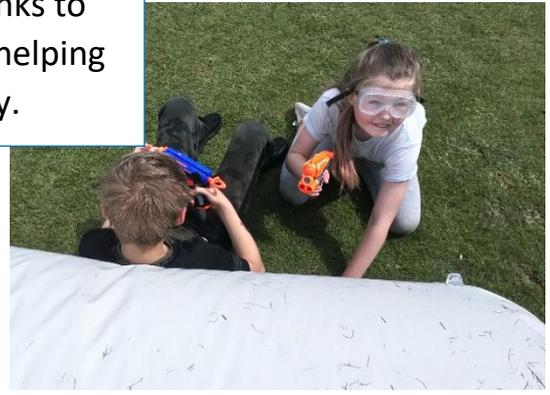


From September, we have managed to secure the lease of the building which was previously used as 'Little Springs Nursery' to 'The Bridge PRU' school. The building will be known as 'The Little Bridge' and will operate from this unit, completely separately to Western Springs Primary School. We are excited to see this building once again in use and for the additional resources and funds it will bring to our school. There will be considerable improvements made to the building and the surrounding grounds in the months ahead. The school day at Little Bridge will operate on a different schedule to ours at Western Springs to avoid congestion and to minimise disruption for our parents and pupils.



## Summer Fun Day

Our Summer Fun Day took place today and included Beach Volleyball, Nerf Wars and much more. The children had an amazing time and it was an absolute pleasure to see their huge smiles. Many thanks to 'Progressive Sports' for helping to organise the day.



## Fond Farewells

**As we come to the end of the academic year, we must wish some fond farewells to current members of staff.**

**Mrs Lesley Biddle** leaves us to enjoy her retirement after 18 years here at Western Springs. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Biddle for her many years of service to the school and the community and for going above and beyond when the school needed her most.

**Mrs Nicola Talbot** leaves us to explore other opportunities after 10 years here at Western Springs. Mrs Talbot has taught many children over this time and her hard work and commitment has been much appreciated.

**Miss Julia Hynes** leaves us for warmer climates as she relocates to Spain. Miss Hynes has been here at Western Springs for two years and has brought a great deal of enthusiasm and passion which will be missed.

We also say goodbye to our current group of **Year 6** pupils who leave us to move to the next stage of their learning. We are very proud of the lovely young people they have become and we wish them all the best for the future.

## Things to look out for in the Autumn Term:

- A new Behaviour Policy
- A Twitter Feed

## School Calendar 2019-2020

Please note that pupils return to school on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September.

### Western springs primary school 2019-2020 School Calendar

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- Voting
- Teachers training days
- School holidays
- May bank holiday