Wilden VA Church of England Primary School



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Dear parents

Firstly, may welcome you and your children either back to Wilden VA Church of England Primary School or for the very first time. I sincerely hope that you and your families enjoyed a wonderful summer holidays.

We are very much looking forward to sharing a fantastic academic year with you and building on the many positives from last year. We have much to be thankful for, especially after a very hectic end of term visit from our friends at Ofsted. We expect the report to be finalised over the next couple of weeks when we look forward to sharing the many positives seen by the inspectors.

I would like to formally welcome Mr Matthew Hayes to Wilden as our new Muntjac class teacher. He joins us with a wealth of experience and is very much looking forward to delivering our curriculum to the children.

I also need to make you aware that Mrs Hester-Robb decided to leave her position as teaching assistant at the very end of term. Unfortunately, we were not in a position to announce this to parents before the summer holidays. However, I am delighted to inform you that we have employed Mrs Jacqui Dudeney as our new Early Years Teaching Assistant. She will start at the school on Friday 9th September. Mrs Dudeney has a great deal of early year's experience and will be a fantastic addition to our staff team.

We have two school trips organised over the next two weeks. On Tuesday 13th September, Key Stage 2 will be taking part in the Faith Tour in Bedford and on Thursday 22nd September, the whole school will be visiting KidZania at the Westcroft Shopping Centre in London as part of our Aspiration Week. These are just two of a number of exciting opportunities and experiences for our children this year.

Finally, a reminder that the school will now stay open every Friday afternoon until 3.20pm from tomorrow.

Yours sincerely Mr Leigh Pointon **Executive Headteacher**