



WOODLESFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly and in many ways most importantly 'Thank you' for being so patient and understanding about the temporary change from school cooked school dinners to 'Grab Bags'. Whilst many children have really enjoyed having a 'picnic' everyday it obviously hasn't been ideal.

I would also like to say thank you publically to the Kitchen staff who have had to work in challenging circumstances over the past two weeks both in the assembling and distribution of 150-180 grab bags a day and also in the organisation, cleaning and stocking of the new kitchen - it has been a Herculean job.

The good news is we are now ready to start serving our full school meal menu again - hooray!

From Monday 21st September our new kitchen will be in operation.

A reminder that school meals are now £2.20 a day or £11.00 for the week.

Governor news

After many, many years Catherine Steel has decided to step down as Chair of governors at our school. It is my understanding that Catherine first joined the governing body as a parent governor soon after Mr Rossiter became Headteacher in 1989. Catherine later became the Chair of Governors and was invaluable to the school in this role in part because of her educational background (she is a secondary school teacher.) Of course while we are very sad to see Catherine go we do completely understand and I hope you will join me in giving sincere thanks for all the time and dedication given to school over the years as well as wishing her all the best for the future.

This week we had our first Governors' meeting of the year. One of the main tasks of this meeting is to elect a new Chair of Governors from the current governing body and I am pleased to be able to inform you that there was unanimous support for Mr Steve Ellis (who has been Vice Chair in the past) to become our new Chair. Steve has two children currently in Year 5 and like Catherine, has a long association with the school and the governing body. The vacancy created by Catherine's departure is one of 'Co-Opted' Governor. The governing body can invite up to three people whom they think have relevant skills and knowledge to join the governing body; this is what is meant by co-opted. At our first meeting this week, governors decided to invite Mrs Janet Booth to be a co-opted governor and I am delighted to say she has accepted. Janet, who lives in Woodlesford, was Headteacher at Rothwell Primary until July this year and has actually been a teacher at our school during her career. Her wealth of knowledge and experience will be a great addition to our governor team.

Dates

We have put together a list of dates for this term that have been confirmed and they accompany this letter. I do hope many of you can join us for the open morning next Wednesday 23rd September, 9-10am (extended after parent requests). This is great chance to come into to school for an informal meeting with your child's 'new' teacher and to see their 'new' classroom.

Yours sincerely,

Robin Scott -Headteacher



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