



Windrush Valley School
Weekly Bulletin
Friday 7th September 2018

Welcome back to the start of new beginnings at Windrush Valley School.

Alan and Sheila Wood – the end of an era



It was not a total surprise to return after the long summer break to the news that Mr and Mrs Wood will be stepping back after over 46 years of service to the education sector in a wide variety of roles. The appointment of Mrs Amanda Douglas, their daughter, to Headteacher will ensure the continued success of the school, underpinning the school's ethos.

Mr and Mrs Wood will continue to support Amanda and the staff through the transition under new ownership, whilst maintaining a less visible presence in school.

The staff would like to wish both Mr and Mrs Wood all the very best for their future as they ease themselves gently towards retirement.

Amanda Douglas

Amanda Douglas has been appointed to the role of Headteacher. Amanda has a wealth of experience having taught KS2 children for the past 15 years. She also comes with experience from a parents' point of view – her two boys having been taught at WVS and only recently moving onto secondary school. Amanda is excited and passionate about her new role and, with the support of the staff, is looking forward to new beginnings. Amanda will continue to teach our Form 5 class, with a reduced timetable to allow for her increased responsibilities. During these times, Form 5 pupils will be taught by other KS2 teachers.

All other staff roles remain the same. We are currently seeking to recruit a Bursar, a Teacher and and Handyperson/Minibus Driver.

Extended Day

Extended day activities begin next Monday, 10th September.

Parents Consultative Group Meeting

Parents are warmly invited to attend a meeting of the Parents' Consultative group scheduled to be held at 3.30pm on Thursday 13th September. An agenda for this meeting will shortly be sent via Parentmail.

Trip – Coding Workshop

Form 6 have been invited to attend a coding workshop at Bloxham School on Thursday 20th September. Details of the visit have been sent by Parentmail.

Secondary School Open Evenings

Burford School	Thursday 20 th September	4.30pm until 7.30pm
Cotswold School	Wednesday 3 rd October	9.00am until 1.00pm 6.00pm until 8.30pm

Music Lessons

Pupils who play brass instruments will have their lessons on Mondays with Mrs Katrina Lovell-Meade commencing on Monday 10th September.

Piano lessons with Pauline Carter will commence on Monday 17th September (Form 4-6 pupils on Mondays) and Form 1-3 pupils on Fridays.

New PE uniform (Forms 1 and 2)

The new PE uniform for Form 1 and 2 pupils (Navy hoodies and navy jogging bottoms) have been sent home with pupils today. A payment option is now available via Parentmail.

Forms

Please ensure that the following forms are returned to the school office at your earliest convenience:-

- Pupil contact forms
- Consent form for school trips
- Consent and medical form