

Wouldham All Saints Church of England Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers

I am delighted to be writing my first letter to you as the newly appointed Headteacher of Wouldham All Saints Church of England Primary School and I am looking forward to getting to know all of the children, parents, carers and staff in the coming months. I feel honoured and privileged to have been chosen to continue to build upon the success the school has already achieved under the leadership of Mr Fitter.

I bring with me a wealth of teaching and leadership experience following a 23 year career in education. I strongly believe in providing the children with exciting, creative, inclusive and meaningful learning experiences, which build their enthusiasm for learning and help them to grow in confidence, knowledge and spirituality. I am also keen on building a whole school community which thrives on mutual respect and values positive relationships. I look forward to organising lots of opportunities for parents to work collaboratively with the school and am keen to develop a successful parent forum as I believe that it is crucial to involve families in their children's education.

We look forward to welcoming year 1-6 back on Tuesday 5th September and year R from Monday 11th September 2023. In order to enable your child to have the best start to their school day, I ask that you strive to ensure they are in school between 8.50 and 9.00am. It is very disruptive for your child's learning, and to their classmates when they arrive late into school. We will be closing the school gate at 9.00am promptly.

In light of our very busy school curriculum, we have decided to enable the children to come into school wearing their P.E kits on their P.E days. This will save the teaching staff crucial time as the children will not have to change and will hopefully result in less lost property! An email will follow from the teaching team with P.E days and times. There will also be some changes to our outdoor learning and swimming timetables, sessions will begin week commencing 11th September and details will follow next week.

Lastly, please ensure the children wear the correct uniform at all times and correct P.E uniform on P.E days. Non-uniform will not be tolerated, and your child will be asked to change. The new sweatshirts and cardigans are suitable for P.E days in colder climes. I am also happy for the children to wear plain black or navy tracksuit bottoms on P.E days. A reminder that jewellery should not be worn in school. Full details of our uniform expectations can be found on our website: [Wouldham All Saints CEP | Uniform](#)

Please be assured that as Headteacher, I will strive to provide the best education for your child/children whilst they are members of our school family. Please do come up and introduce yourselves outside school – I will attempt to be at the gate with our new Deputy Headteacher (Mr Wyatt-Hughes) and the leadership team before and after school each day. I look forward to meeting more of you in the coming weeks.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'V Baldwin', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Mrs V Baldwin
Headteacher