



## Hatherop Church of England Primary School

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*'Caring, Believing, Achieving'*

### **Newsletter: 4<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

What a great start to the term! It was so lovely to see how the children came back to school smiling, confident and ready to learn! They have embraced the changes and are quickly getting used to the regular handwashing and social distancing. Next week, some assessments will take place. These will enable the children to show us what they know as well as identify any gaps in their learning. However, it has been so pleasing to see how keen they are to get on with learning. They obviously worked hard at home during lockdown. If you would like to drop off any home learning books, there will be a box at the gate on Monday. Thanks again to all the staff for their hard work getting the school ready. The grounds are looking lovely, the school is clean, the office organised and the classrooms are exciting learning environments. After the success of this week we are looking forward to a very good term ahead!

#### **Welcome**

Welcome to Mrs Baker who has started with us this term. She will be taking the Year 4 class 3 mornings a week. We are delighted to have her on the team! We also welcomed Kayla into Year 5 this week.

#### **Reminders:**

Long hair must be tied back.  
Boys must wear dark, plain socks.  
PE kits must be worn to school on PE days  
Staggered start and end times are to keep us all safe, please make sure you are on time.

#### **Breakfast Club and After School Club**

Breakfast club sessions run from 7:35 in the morning and breakfast is served, after which there is some time to play before starting school. The price of each session is £4.50. After school club takes place between 3 and 5pm. Children are invited to enjoy the large selection of games, play equipment and make use of the outside area. We currently have spaces available at £4.50 for 1 hour or £7.50 for two hours.  
To make a booking for either, please contact the office.

#### **A message from Kingfisher Class**

The children have made a great start back in school this week and it has been wonderful to see their smiling faces filling the classroom once more. We have focussed on settling in and getting used to new routines. The children have impressed us with their patience and understanding as we all get used to the new normal. We have spent some time talking about all the fun we had over the summer holidays and we have reflected on how lockdown made us feel and our memories from it while making mosaic rainbows. We look forward to getting down to work next week!

#### **Reading**

We have invested in a new reading scheme with many of our books being updated. In order to use the scheme effectively, each child needs to be assessed individually. When all the initial assessments have been completed, your child will start to bring home reading books and their reading record. In the meantime, please visit *Oxford Owl for School* and click on the **My class login** button. You will then be promoted to enter the class username and password. This will give you access to the eBook library. Once logged in, you can also click on a link to access *Oxford Owl for Home*.  
<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>

The class logins are as follows:

**User: kingfisher1**      **Pass: story**  
**User: Red Kite1**      **Pass: Read**  
**User: skylark class**      **Pass: books**

