



SILCHESTER CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Compassion, Courage & Respect

Dear Families of Silchester,

Shuffle-Up

The children have had their shuffle up morning today and got to find out their new teachers for next year. Careful thought goes into planning our transition process and as well as the children getting to know their teachers, handovers will occur between current and new staff and additional transition activities to build relationships are built in. I really hope that all children enjoyed their morning and come home excited to tell you all about it!

The staffing updates for Silchester are as follows:

Class	Year Group	Adults
Ladybirds	R	Mrs Dowling & Miss Heeks
Chestnut	1	Miss Dodson & Miss Hawthorn
Hazel	2/3	Mrs Mitchell & Mrs Prickett
Sycamore	3/4	Miss McNally & Mrs Ridout
Beech	5	Miss Cook, Mrs Forrester & TBC
Oak	6	Miss Dadral, Mrs Scott & Mrs Hartwell

It is worth noting that allocation of support staff can be flexible with staff not necessarily being permanently in one class but allocated according to need. All of our support staff are invaluable and talented at working across all different year groups.

Miss Ouazzani, Mrs Hunter and Mrs Robinson are returning to Bishopswood who have kindly loaned them to us – it has been incredible to have them all at Silchester, we offer them all of our heartfelt gratitude, and we will really miss them. Mrs Hammill will be teaching single days in Chestnut and Sycamore class and Mrs Rolfe and Mrs Prickett will be covering classes for PPA time. Mrs Pulford will be staying as part of our Silchester family but working in a different capacity outside of class and Mrs Rolph will continue to guide our worships and pupil voice. We are also welcoming Miss McNally to our team who is an experienced teacher joining us from Sherfield School. Mrs Dowling and Mrs Forrester have stepped up to join our Senior Leadership Team and will become KS1 and KS2 phase leaders.

We are exceptionally lucky to have such a strong team at Silchester, I am so grateful to them all for working so hard and for caring so passionately about our children and our school. Thanks to them, we can be both positive and excited for all that next year will bring!

The Willows

As mentioned, we will be starting up in-house provision of wraparound care from September. Should you be interested in joining The Willows Staff Team, please see information about the positions advertised below:

<https://south.education-jobs.org.uk/jobs/job/Wraparound-Care-AssistantSupervisor/6457>



Library News

Lizzie West and Mrs Dowling are planning to make some improvements to our school library over the holidays. Therefore, we would ask all children with library books at home to return these to school. The school library will officially close to borrowing in the last two weeks of term.



THE SCHOOL LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSING IN A FEW WEEKS FOR SOME EXCITING IMPROVEMENTS

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PTA Fun Day!

The PTA have funded a Fun Day for the children on **Friday 4th July.**

The purpose of this day is simply to **Have Fun!**

They have hired lots of inflatables for the children to play on which will be set up on our field. Each class gets an allocated time slot, so children (and staff!) get ready to... have fun!

St Mary the Virgin, Silchester



Caring for God's Acre



Please come and join us for our family friendly First Sunday service at 10.00 on Sunday, July 6th as we think about our responsibilities to care for God's Acre and as we celebrate the work done last month by Silchester School's Eco Council.

We will go outside for some of our worship to see and bless the new pond and hedgehog house that the children installed.

Upcoming Key Dates

Wednesdays – 18/6, 25/6, 9/7, 16/7	Beech Class (Year 5) Forest School Sessions
Friday 4 th July	PTA Inflatables Fun Day
Friday 11 th July	PTA Rainbow Run
Tuesday 8 th July and Wednesday 9 th July	Year 5 and 6 Production (6pm)
Tuesday 15 th July	M&M Productions – Treasure Island (PTA funded)
Wednesday 16 th July	Year 6 Leavers Party
Thursday 17 th July	Year 6 Trip to Paulton's Park
Friday 18 th July	Year 6 Leavers Service in school 9am (parents welcome)
Friday 18 th July	Last Day of School
Amazon Wish List	https://amzn.eu/diet9uj
INSET DAYS 2025/2026	Wednesday 3 rd September, Thursday 4 th September Monday 5 th January, Monday 23 rd February Wednesday 22 nd July

I hope that you and your families have a great weekend, and I'll look forward to seeing you all again on Monday.

Rachel Moir

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Head of School



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Danielle will be running Baby Massage Classes with the next local ones planned for:

- Tuesday 9th September 09.30-10.45am for 6 weeks at St Luke's Church, Pamber Heath
- Wednesday 10th September 12.15-1.30pm for 6 weeks at Soul barns, Mortimer Common

Please see attached poster for more information or pass on to anyone you know who may be interested.

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BOOK FOR NEXT TERM!!!

Wednesday mornings 8.00 - 8.45am

10/09, 17/10, 24/09, 01/10, 08/10, 15/10, 22/10

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