

# NEWSLETTER

# SOUTHWICK SCHOOL

THIS TERM'S CHRISTIAN VALUE – PERSEVERANCE



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the start of a new academic year – we hope you had a wonderful summer. It was wonderful to welcome all of the children back so much so that on Thursday, I was a little over-enthusiastic, inviting Y1 and Y2 children in at the wrong time! The children all settled in quickly and enjoyed catching up with their friends. They were very excited by our new outdoor gym equipment at playtime!

We are feeling our way cautiously through the limited new guidance and the routines we have put in place as a result. We are hoping that we will be able to tweak these as we see the impact in school; planning on paper in the holidays is never quite the same as the reality! We have already made a couple of changes to enable less crowding at the gates – could I please remind you that if you are waiting on school premises we ask that you wear a face covering.

Covid-19 is certainly circling the school. We have a number of children who have not returned to school as they are unwell. The changes to the guidance for isolation means that we are likely to see a rise in cases in schools so the more things we can do to prevent transmission, the better.



We do however have some good news – Miss Williams finally, after several cancellations, became Mrs Potter! She will be taking some time off school later this year as she and her husband welcome 'baby Potter' into the world.

Congratulations also to those members of the school community who also 'tied the knot over the summer or who are planning to do so imminently.

Have a good week.  
Take care, stay safe,

Mrs S

## Diary Dates

### TD Days for 21-22

20th October 21  
1<sup>st</sup> November 21  
18<sup>th</sup> February 22  
6<sup>th</sup> June 22

### Additional Bank Holiday

25<sup>th</sup> July 22

### Events

15<sup>th</sup> September 21  
– Y6 Residential

### In other news...

We are pleased to inform you that Mrs Woodford has been appointed to the role of Acting Assistant Head and will deputise for me in my absence.

We also welcome Mrs Barton who has joined Y3 as a TA.