



## Heads Newsletter

### Viaduct Federation



The two schools continue to work closely together, with great links already established for sport and games provision. This year we are looking at strengthening the curriculum links between the schools; looking at the content and skill progression across all the curriculum subjects. We want the teachers to work more closely together and we want the best progressive curriculum for our children. As always we welcome your feedback, both positive and for improvements. We are excited to strengthen the links and provide a seamless education for your children through the primary phase while retaining what made both schools individually special.

#### **Wyvern**

A warm welcome to our children and parents, old and new for an exciting year ahead. As I mentioned before the holidays, we have continued to improve the environment for the children, it's brighter, more organised, less cluttered and above all completely focussed for the education of our pupils. The start of term can always seem daunting for children and parents alike, new school/classrooms/teachers – lots of change. We will be starting the term by settling in the children, answering their questions and calming any worries they may have. I hope we can work closely together to ensure that the children have the best start to the term. There is a parents evening early on in the term (9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> October - more details to follow) where you can formally meet their class teacher and see how they're getting on.



Aside from that, it's all stations go as we launch into a new term and a new chapter for the school. I am delighted you are here with us for the journey as we continue to change and grow. So let's get going!

#### **Bushfield**

Welcome to our new children and families as well as those returning after the break. We are looking forward to getting the routines quickly established and cracking on with learning. It has been a busy summer for our caretaker, Mr Fitzjohn, as he has overseen all the contractors that have been onsite to increase provision, make the school safer, better and looking good.

In order to keep the children safe as they come into and leave the school, we have added a fence along the edge of the carpark to stop them from being tempted to cut the corner and therefore keep them safely on the path.

I'd like to remind you that if you need to speak to a teacher, please come to the main office. Parents/carers shouldn't be in the building unless they have been signed in by the office. Our Year 3 team can be caught for quick conversations at the classroom door at the beginning of the day but if you require a more detailed conversation, please make an appointment through the office. We will be holding parent consultation evenings on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October so you can meet your child's new teacher and find out how your child has settled in.

We can't wait to have another successful year and wanted to share our results from the KS2 SATs tests with you. Once again our results are well above the national average across the board and continue to build year on year with over 90% of our pupils achieving the expected standard in each subject compared to figures in the 70% region for pupils nationally. There will be more information displayed on our website under the 'Results' section.

	Bushfield At Standard		Bushfield Higher Standard	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
<b>Reading</b>	<b>92%</b>	86%	<b>50%</b>	32%
<b>Writing</b>	<b>92%</b>	92%	<b>38%</b>	26%
<b>EGPS</b>	<b>94%</b>	91%	<b>69%</b>	60%
<b>Maths</b>	<b>95%</b>	90%	<b>40%</b>	40%
<b>Combined</b>	<b>87%</b>	80%	<b>17%</b>	13%

We look forward to seeing you soon, Steve Springett-McHugh and Steve Weston