



CTK WEEKLY

DIARY DATES

A reminder that the last day in school for children, at the end of this academic year, is **Friday 17th July**.

The inset days for the next academic year are **Tuesday 1st** and **Wednesday 2nd September** meaning school will start for pupils on Thursday 3rd September.

The other three inset days will be on **21st, 22nd and 23rd July 2021**—the last three days of the academic year.

HEAD'S UPDATE

Last night at 6pm, the Chair of Governors and myself held a Zoom Meeting for Parents. The purpose of this was to describe in a little more detail why decisions had been made over the new structure of the school for September and also to answer any questions that parents may have. It was a productive meeting that I know not all parents could make but nevertheless included the following points:

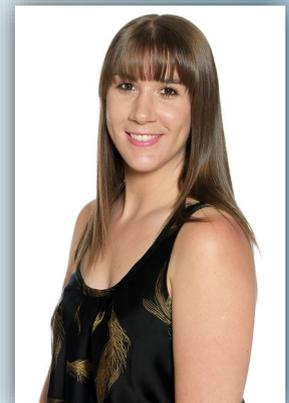
- ◆ **Will the class structure change again next year?** - possibly depending on the number of pupils that join the school. Class sizes and the budget are set on how many pupils there are at CTK and so the class structure for September 2021 won't be set until June/July next year.
- ◆ **Will the uniform change?** - There is no intention to change the uniform. Mr Sanderson has emphasized how important it is that both CTK and St Osmund's retain their individual identity.
- ◆ **Will we get a chance to meet Mr Sanderson and Mr Eccles?** - Ideally they would like to meet you all in person, but the restrictions being placed on schools mean that this will be difficult for a while now. Therefore, I will ask if there could be another zoom meeting to parents with them both.
- ◆ **Is there a danger of my child being 'kept back' within the mixed classes?** - Absolutely not! Each child will be challenged and stretched according to their individual ability. The new Director of Curriculum and Assessment, Mrs Sterck, is responsible for making sure this happens. She has no teaching - her job is to make sure your children are learning at a high pace.
- ◆ **There is a lot of staff leaving, why is this?** - Various reasons. Two are moving out of the area. Four have come to the end of their contracts at CTK. Four have secured promotion or career progression opportunities and two have moved onto fresh opportunities in a new setting. New staff have been appointed on permanent contracts.

These were the main points. If you feel you didn't get a chance to share your thoughts, and would still like to, then please email me at head@christtheking.wilts.sch.uk. Remember, the teachers will be calling you all next week and this will give you an opportunity to ask further questions.

Chris

Staffing Update

Miss Cook will be leaving us at the end of this academic year. After five and a half years at CTK, she has secured a new exciting role as a Medical Secretary at Salisbury District Hospital, a strong career move that will see her professionally develop in new skills and procedures. Whilst this is very sad for all involved at the school, it is fair to say that her new job will require building on all the experience she has gained at CTK. Her charismatic and enthusiastic style on the front desk, and her liaison with families and staff over the years, have had an incredibly positive impact on the school on many levels. She will be missed tremendously by many people but I would like to wish her, on behalf of everyone at school, great success in her new role.





Message from the Local Authority

As we all move to the end of this extraordinary school year I'm sure there will be many of you wanting to check what holiday provision will be available for the summer holidays.

The government has said it is not asking schools to be open over the summer holidays and there is no expectation for them to be open for vulnerable children and children of critical workers.

As a school we will be closing our premises at term end on **Friday 17th July** and will be allowing staff to take time to refresh and make the necessary changes before we open the school gates to the autumn term on **Thursday 3rd September**.

Wiltshire Council is gathering details of local providers who will have summer activities available. This will be available shortly and we will be sharing it. The booklet will be online and is likely to be updated as more providers finalise plans so once we have the details we will share them with you.

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Year 2 class in school

Miss Whately welcomed back most of her Year 2 class this week and what a lovely week they had. A mix of activities enthused the children including their very own Sports Day. It was sad to see them all go at the end but it was great that they had the opportunity to say goodbye to their teacher and friends.

