



HILLINGDON PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Dear Parents and Carers,

Inclusion leader and SENCO

As you are aware, our Inclusion Leader and Senco, Mr Hancox, is leaving us at the end of this term. We again thank him for his hard work and dedication to the pupils of Hillingdon Primary School and wish him and his family well in their new life in the West Country.

We have successfully recruited a new Inclusion Leader and SENCO, and we are delighted with the appointment. As we are completing our final pre-employment checks, we are not able to share their details just yet, but we hope to do so as soon as possible. As they currently work in a school, they will be unable to start with us until this September.

For the interim, in the Summer term, we are delighted to have appointed an experienced SENCO and senior leader, Mr Jim McCall. He will be working with Mr Hancox on a detailed handover of information this week, to ensure a smooth start to the summer term. Mr McCall will also work closely with ourselves and other senior leaders in school and the Elliot Foundation to ensure a smooth transition. We have shared with you an introductory letter from Mr McCall for parents, carers and children.

Mr McCall will be in school from the start of next term, and will be available in the KS2 playground, with senior leaders, from 8.30am on the first day of term, Tuesday 22nd April. He will also be available on the KS1/EYFS playground from 8.30am on Wednesday 23rd April.

We are looking forward to working with him in the Summer term, and we look forward to the SEND expertise he will bring with him from his previous roles.

Celebrations and religious observances

We know that many of our families will have enjoyed celebrating Holi and Eid recently, and during the holidays, many of our families will soon be celebrating Easter or Vaisakhi.



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As part of their Religious Education curriculum, our pupils have an opportunity to share their beliefs and values. It is very important to us that our children are able to share their own personal life experiences as it is an important part of their identity. The more we understand about each other, the more we build understanding among a community and the more our children feel they belong at school. It is important to us that each child feels special for who they are, and that includes their chosen faith or their choice not to follow a faith.

If any pupil would like to talk about their Easter, Eid, Holi or Vaisakhi celebration then we would enjoy hearing them talk about their experiences and it would help us to learn about different faiths. After the holidays, class teachers will devote time for the children to share their news. All our pupils are important to us and we would encourage pupils to speak to their teachers about sharing their beliefs and values about a day important to them.

Earth Day and St George's Day - reminder

Please remember that we will be marking Earth Day on the first day of Summer term (Tuesday 22nd April) and we will be holding a non-uniform day on that day - we encourage children to wear blue and/or green clothing to school. The following day (Wednesday 23rd April) is St. George's Day. As always, we invite those children who attend Rainbows, Brownies, Cubs or Scouts to wear the associated uniform. All other children should wear their usual school uniform, but with it we encourage them to wear a single item of red, white and/or blue clothing.

Thank you and goodbye

We also wish to say a big thank you to Ms Jyoti Rathor, who teaches in Year 5. She is moving to a school which is much closer to home for her and is looking forward to a new challenge.

We wish all our families a peaceful break during the holidays and, to those observing a religious event, we wish you a happy celebration. Please note that the term ends this Friday 4th April, at the earlier time of **1.40pm**. We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday 22nd April.

Best wishes,



Ms Sabrina Kelly
Co-Principal



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