



The Cedar School

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Dear Cedar families

Important Information for this half term at Cedar

I hope that you have all been able to enjoy at least some of the glorious sunshine in recent days. Let's hope, as well, that the fine weather continues. I think that we all deserve that after such seemingly endless wet and dull weather earlier in the year. **That said, due to the very hot weather and possibly thunder forecast for early next week, we are changing the dates of our Sports Days until early July! We apologise if this causes any inconvenience and hope that many of you will be able to join us on the new dates.**

In this letter I am sharing some key, important dates for the Summer Term, including the Sports day dates, but I want to start with some staffing updates.

Staffing Updates

We are so very proud of Sophie Dean, teacher in Sapphire Class, who has been promoted to the post of Assistant Headteacher at Linwood School in Bournemouth. Sophie will be leaving Cedar at the end of this term to take up her exciting new role in September. As those of you whose children have been taught by Sophie will know, Sophie is a very committed, caring and gifted teacher. I am not a bit surprised that Linwood has 'snapped her up'! Huge congratulations, Sophie ... we will really miss you when you move on at the end of this term.

As families in Diamond and Amber classes are already aware, Molly Flood, teacher in Diamond Class, is expecting her first child in late October. I am sure that you will join me in congratulating Molly and in wishing her all of the very best at this busy and exciting time for her.

As a result of these staffing developments, I am delighted to share that we have made some teacher appointments for September meaning that we have a full complement of teachers for the Autumn Term. I am really pleased that Charlotte Darragh, who joined us as a teacher in Purple and Blue classes at Easter, will be staying with us next year. In addition, we are very proud to have appointed Conor Lucey as a teacher from September. Conor previously worked at Cedar as an SSA and has now successfully completed his teacher training. Everyone is very happy to be welcoming Conor back next term! We are also very lucky to have appointed Anna Colwill as a teacher from September. Anna, a qualified teacher, is currently working as an SSA here at Cedar. From September, Anna will be teaching a class which is very exciting!

Once again, congratulations to Sophie and Molly and a very warm 'welcome' to Charlotte, Conor and Anna!

*The Cedar School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our children and young people.
It expects all staff, volunteers and visitors to the school to share and embrace this commitment.*

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Important Dates for this term

I want to share some whole school key dates for this term.

As always, your child's class team will communicate with you about specific dates and arrangements for any class events.

Key whole school dates for your diary, including the dates for the sports days, are below!

Saturday 17 th June	School Summer Fair: 11am – 2pm
Monday 26 th June	INSET Day (school closed to children)
Monday 3 rd July	Sports Afternoon for Red, Blue, Green, Yellow and Purple classes
Tuesday 4 th July	Sports Afternoon for Emerald, Diamond, Amber, Sapphire and Ruby classes
Wednesday 5 th July	Children will spend some of the morning in their class for next year; we will let families know children's classes for next year in advance of this day.
Monday 10 th July	Children will spend some of the afternoon in their class for next year.
Thursday 13 th July	Year 11 Leavers' Day
Friday 14 th July	Children's Annual Reports issued
Thursday 20 th July	Break Up for Summer Holiday Parents/carers of children in Year 11 are invited to join us for our Leavers' Assembly on this day at 1.45pm.

These are always a busy few weeks of the school year but your amazing children will rise to the challenges, enjoy the opportunities and, as ever, inspire us with their commitment to all that they do.

Thank you for 'loaning' your youngsters to us each day! It is a real joy for the whole team to work with them.

Warm best wishes,



Neil Revell
Headteacher