



# Orchard Primary School Newsletter

**Week beginning: Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2015**

**Week 2 of 7**

## WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL



I am delighted to have been appointed as the new Head Teacher at Orchard Primary School. I look forward to meeting you and working with you this year. I plan to be at the gate most mornings, so please do come over and introduce yourself to me. I believe that happy children learn best. If you, or your child, have any concerns I would encourage you to speak to the class teacher after school, so that any worries can be sorted out before they grow into problems.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents of the importance of regular attendance at school. For children to make good progress, they need to be in school. In addition, children need to be in on time so that they are able to begin the day in a calm way.

We welcome the new Reception and Nursery children to Orchard, as well as Nikita in Year 4 and Henry in Year 3. Miss Shooter has joined us as our new Year 1 teacher. We hope they all enjoy their time at Orchard Primary School.

I was pleased to greet the children this morning, and to see them looking smart in their uniforms and shiny shoes. Please can I remind you to put names in all clothing, as this makes it much easier to return if found in the playground.

*Mrs J Rowntree*

## News from the Classroom

Our first day back was exciting because we got to know our new teacher and we also began to learn new things. We were allocated our new jobs. We were happy to be back to school and we like our new classroom and teacher! We were over the moon when we saw our friends for the first time in 6 weeks! Over the holidays we have missed our friends, teachers and also we have missed our learning. Even though we sometimes find learning difficult, we still need to learn so that we get a good job when we grow up! Learning is important to us because we are going to need it in life!

***Billy and Libby Year 6***

## READING FOCUS

This year we are going to have a focus on reading. I would encourage you to read with your child, and to sign them up at the local library. One of the greatest gifts we can give our children is a love of reading.

If you have some spare time, please contact the school, as we are looking for volunteers to come in and listen to readers.

***The more the children read, the better readers they become.***

## Reception Class Working Hard



## Dates for your Diary

**Week Beginning 14/09/15**

Clubs begin this week

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September**

Reception Reading meeting 10:00 am

Reception lunch (please book at the office)

