

# Little Reddings Primary School

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## Weekly Newsletter – September 30<sup>th</sup> 2016

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### Weekly LRS Governors Focus

Over the coming term each of our hardworking and dedicated Governors will be writing an article in the newsletter to let you know a little bit about themselves and their role on the Governing Body.

#### Amanda Measures

Parent Governor  
Pupil Progress  
Committee



#### Specialist

Areas: Finance,  
Controls and  
Management

I work for a French Investment Bank, where I head a team of very diverse staff, and where both the role and the environment are very challenging and ever changing - which can often be likened in some ways to the School environment !

I have one child in year 4, (the other has just left to attend Secondary school), and I decided to become a Governor around 3 years ago, as I am very interested in the standard of education that all children receive, regardless of their academic ability, and so that I could perhaps use the skills I use in my professional life, in order to help ensure that the role of

Governors, i.e. to be a 'critical friend', is upheld to the fullest.

During this time I have seen many positive changes, both within the School, with the strong and forward thinking leadership of the Headteacher, Carly Simmonds, and within the Governing Body itself, which has, by necessity, (new Governors, and our friend 'Ofsted' !), naturally evolved over this period. The LRS Governors, some of whom, like myself, came with little experience of Governorship, are well supported by the Bushey Meads team, and we have learnt much from their experience, patience and enthusiasm.

As part of the Pupil Progress Committee, we learn about the general progress of all pupils, and it is wonderful to see the standards being raised higher and higher each meeting, due, for the most part, to the strong leadership teams and the ongoing commitment of all staff, who continue to demonstrate how much they care about all of our children with the high standards they set, and the amount of time they devote to their various roles.

I really enjoy being part of the Governing body at Little Reddings, as it is fulfilling to do something different to my day job, and I have learnt new skills, patience being one, which is very valuable in itself!



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I am not afraid to ask questions, and often challenge where necessary in order to gain a full understanding of any data provided. My mantra is, 'if I do not understand it, I cannot agree or disagree with it', so I keep on asking until I get it!

Of course it has its challenges, and is a demand on my already limited free time, but, to see the changes happening in the school, the forward direction it is taking, and the progress all the children are making, is reward in itself, and is well worth any time invested.

I get so much out of it, and I hope that I am able to put as much, if not more, in, so as to try to ensure that LRS continues to go from strength to strength.

After all, it takes the support of ALL of us to help move the school towards its goal of 'Learning together, Respecting each other, and Success for all'.

**Amanda Measures**

### The School Day

Just a reminder that Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 start school at 8:50am with Open Door from 8:40am. They finish school at 3:15pm.

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 start school at 8:40am and finish at 3:25pm.

Please note that end of school day times are when the children **finish in the classroom – not when they will be ready to be collected**

### Fitter Future

The children in Key Stage 2 have been accessing a new programme called Fitter Future. With great enthusiasm the children have been taking part in daily fitness routines as a class activity. We are sure that this will not only develop the children's fitness but also encourage a healthy lifestyle.

This week teachers have chosen the most improved and star performers from each class. This will be a weekly occurrence from now on.

Fitter Future is designed to increase fitness levels of children throughout the country and revolutionise the way primary schools can promote a healthy and active lifestyle.

All workouts are accessible online. Each workout lasts ten minutes with additional workouts and monthly fitness challenges continuously added to the programme.



Each child also gets completely free access at home where they can complete additional monthly workout challenges. Each workout includes three tier differentiation and can take place inside or outside.



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### Year 6 – What a start!

Over recent weeks, we have shared with you how brilliantly the children have approached their learning at the start of this school year. All of our classes have shown great enthusiasm towards their learning but Year 6 deserve a special mention.

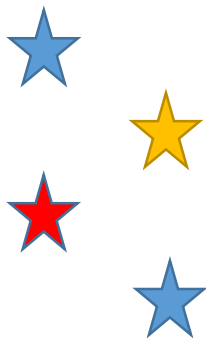
Every single Year 6 child has been given extra responsibility this year, in preparation for their move to secondary school. Some children have been made prefects and others have been given specific roles around the school.

In addition, the children have worked hard to meet the highest of expectations across the curriculum and are already making good progress.

Keep up the great work!

### STAR OF THE WEEK

Reception: Johnathon, Ann C  
Year 1: Annie and Jessica  
Year 2: Abdul and Brittany  
Year 3: Harvey and Nutsa  
Year 4: Crystal and Gabriella  
Year 5: Imogen and Aydan  
Year 6: Megan and Annie



### WRITER OF THE WEEK

Year 1: Ahishan  
Year 2: Isiah and Kai  
Year 3: Isabel and Christopher  
Year 4: Harry G and Ashanti  
Year 5: Max and Kieron  
Year 6: Sia and Emily

### Dates for your Diary

Nursery lunch club starts Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> FLR Coffee & Cake 3.25pm  
Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Harvest Festival Assembly 9am  
Please bring any contributions to the school with your child.

### Attendance

Class	Percentages
Rosen	87.8
Donaldson	93.1
Ahlberg	96.3
Milne	89.7
Browne	96.3
Hoffman	97.4
King-Smith	94.4
Walliams	93.7
Dahl	94.2
Simon	93.0
Morpurgo	90.8
Horowitz	84.2
Pullman	92.0
Blackman	98.5
Rowling	94.8



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