



The Forest CE Federation Newsletter March 2016

Diocesan Inspection – Both Tiffield & Stoke Bruerne have just undergone a Church inspection. The inspections were very favourable to both schools with lovely comments given by the inspector about our federation ethos. The children as always were wonderful during the inspection. I would like to thank parents for their positive comments and praise of the federation when they spoke to the inspector. The inspection report will be shared with parents when it is received. Thank you to all parents for their continued support.



Easter Services – Parents and families are invited to come along to our Easter Services and share our celebrations. The children have been working hard on rehearsing their songs to share with you. The services are being held on:
Tiffield – 9.30am Wednesday 23rd March St John the Baptist Church Tiffield
Gayton – 11am Wednesday 23rd March St Marys Church Gayton
Whittlebury – 9.30 am Thursday 24th March St Marys Church Whittlebury
Stoke Bruerne – 2 pm Thursday 24th March St Mary the Virgin Church Stoke Bruerne



Goodbye – Mr Johnson will be leaving Stoke Bruerne to embark on his new journey as Executive Headteacher of Culworth & Boddington schools. I would like to take this opportunity to thank him for all his hard work and commitment to the school over the past 4 ½ years. He has had a pivotal role in moving Stoke Bruerne school forward to become such a successful, thriving school at the heart of the local community. We wish him every success for the future and all our best wishes to him for his up and coming marriage also. An exciting time ahead!

Big Sing – Wow what an amazing evening at the Big Sing event held at The Derngate. The federation choir were right at the front of the stage and sang their hearts out. A special mention was made to the federation with us being the smallest schools to attend the event. We would like to develop the choir further to enable us to take part in other events and will be looking for more children to join the choir. Further details will be sent regarding the choir at a later date.



Assistant Headteacher

Mrs Westley who is currently Assistant Headteacher at Tiffield will be taking on the role as Assistant Headteacher at Stoke Bruerne from September 2016. She will be sad to leave Tiffield but is excited to continue her professional development at Stoke Bruerne. We are excited and pleased to inform you that we have appointed Mrs Sarah Cave to join our federation as Assistant Headteacher at Tiffield in September 2016. Mrs Cave brings with her a wealth of experience and will be a valuable asset to our federation. I am sure parents will be sad to see Mrs Westley leave her position at Tiffield but also happy that she is remaining within our federation to continue her excellent work.



Goodbye – We are also saying goodbye to Mrs Helen Gowler Office Manager at Gayton for nearly 15 years. Mrs Gowler has seen many changes at the school and I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for all her help and support since joining the school in September. I wish her every happiness in the future.



Friends of the School – A sponsored bike ride will be held at Silverstone Circuit on Monday 25th April starting at 5.30pm. The event is open to everyone in the federation including family and friends. All funds raised will be used towards purchasing federation tops which will be worn by the children when they attend federation events. Further details including a sponsorship form will be sent before the event.

Welcome – I am pleased to welcome after Easter Mrs Emma Cox and Mrs Kerry Fulford as the permanent EYFS/KS1 teachers at Gayton. They will be a huge asset not only to Gayton but to the federation as a whole. We also welcome Mrs Gemma Reeve who will be joining Gayton as Administrative Assistant in the school office.