



# Miserden CE Primary School

## Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers

I would like to extend a warm welcome back to all pupils and parents. It is lovely to see all the happy smiling faces enjoying their learning. I am excited to be working at Miserden School and look forward to getting to know everyone as soon as possible.

I would also like to extend a warm welcome to our Reception children:

Aimme Johnson  
 Seb Gibb  
 Cora Rae Spencer Weedon  
 Hope Norman  
 Herbie Hefferman  
 Jesse Hill  
 Dexter Harris  
 Gabriel Hope  
 Damien Buckley

To Ravian and Caldryn Buckley who are joining Class 2.

Also to Mrs Johnson our new TA in Class 2 in the mornings and Class 1 in the afternoons, Mrs Novelle our new Administrator and Miss Lane our new Business Manager. I am sure you will join us in making all our new starters very welcome.

**Mrs Lucie Mitchell**  
**Acting Headteacher**

### Uniform

It is lovely to see how smart the children are in their uniform. Can you please help us by making sure all uniform is named so that we can return lost items promptly.

Just a reminder that PE kit needs to be in school every day. Your child will need a plain white top (T-shirt or Polo top), Blue shorts, a pair of trainers and tracksuit/jogging bottoms for cold weather.

Again please make sure all items are named.

### Medical

If your child has any medical issues that you think school should be made aware of, please advise your child's teacher or Mrs Novelle in the office.

### Open the Book

We would like to restart the Open the Book worship in school.

Open the Book is a retelling of a Bible story usually through drama and storytelling. All sessions are already planned and no one needs to learn any lines. Reverend Val Thorne is willing to lead the sessions but needs volunteers to help her.

The dates for this term are:

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September**

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October**

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December**

Please let myself, Rev Val or Mrs Novelle know if you are interested or need any more information.

### Miserden School Friends Association

All parents of children in Miserden Primary School automatically become a member of the MSFA and are warmly welcomed to the MSFA meetings.

There will be a number of fun events during the school year. Please do support them whenever you can.

Please keep an eye on the newsletter for further information on any forthcoming events.

**Thank you.**

### Office hours

The school office is manned from **8.30am** until **12pm Monday - Friday**. We will endeavour to answer the school telephone from 12pm - 3.30pm, however your patience will be appreciated during these hours.

Outside of these times the school answerphone will be on as usual.

**Clubs**

Cheltenham Town are running 3 clubs this term:

**Tuesday – football**

**Wednesday – circuits**

**Friday – Tag Rugby**

These will start week commencing 11th September

Bisley Blue Coat School run an after school club daily, which they are willing to open up to our children.

Sewing Club will be meeting in the Middle Room on Wednesdays. Please let the Office know if your child would like to attend.

**For all clubs please see the separate flyers.**

We also welcome any parents or carers who would like to come in to help in school in any way - reading with children, making resources for classes etc. If you would like to volunteer please talk to staff.

**Safeguarding**

As staff we have reviewed safeguarding in the school during our INSET days. To make sure that we comply with all safeguarding procedures please can you make sure you sign in at the office if you come into school (apart from dropping off or picking up) where you will be given a visitors badge to wear. All visitors to the school will be asked to wear visitor badges.

We are keen to continue with the 'soft start' to the day but request that, as from Monday, parents drop their children off at the outside door; for Class 3 up the steps and Class 1 by the middle classroom. To keep our children safe we need to know which adults are in the building at any time. Obviously if you need to speak to your child's class teacher then please feel free to come in to see them. At the end of the day children are to be collected from staff in the playground unless they are attending a club.

**Thank you for your cooperation.**

**Diary Dates – Autumn Term**

Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> September	Mini Beast Day
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	Literature Festival (Cheltenham)
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Individual photographs
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Half Term
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	Parent's Evening
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	Parent's Evening
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	End of term
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December – Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January	Christmas Holiday
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January	Back to school

**School Meals**

School meals are £2.20 per day. Meals for the children in C1 are free.

Please ensure you pay for school meals in advance to avoid getting yourself and the school into debt.

Thank you.

We would like to use this newsletter to celebrate the children's personal successes, as well as for passing on school information, so if your child has an achievement they would like to share please let us know. Information can be submitted to Mrs Novelle via the school e-mail: [admin@miserden.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@miserden.gloucs.sch.uk)

**Contact Details**

We will be sending home your parent contact forms for the Autumn Term shortly. Please do complete and return your forms so we can ensure our records are up to date and ensure we are using the correct mobile number for any text messages or calls.

We would like to send future letters and newsletters by e-mail wherever possible. If you would like to receive paper copies instead, please complete and return the form below.

**I would like to receive paper copies of letters and newsletters please.**

Child's name: ..... Class: .....

Signed: ..... Parent / Carer

Date: .....