



# Spring Grove Primary School

Headteacher: Ms Maureen Buckby



## Parents Newsletter 8

12<sup>th</sup> January 2017

Dear Parents,

**Happy New Year** to you all. I hope you and your children enjoyed the break and that 2017 is a great year for everyone.

The children have returned to school **refreshed and full of positive energy** which is wonderful. They are busy in their classrooms and working really hard. The next Parents evenings are not until March 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> so if you wish to **discuss your children** before then, please send an email, telephone, write a note or call in to make an appointment. We are very happy to chat to you at a mutually convenient time; any questions or queries are best dealt with sooner rather than later. When home and school work closely together, the children will flourish.

Please continue to take care when your **children use the Internet at home**. Keep an eye on the sites they are using and chat through what they are doing whilst online. It is best to keep computers, laptops, i-pads and smart phones in communal parts of the house. Also, please keep a close eye on the age restrictions on certain electronic games as they are often aimed at older children and adults and can contain violence and bad language. Thank you for remaining vigilant with this. We remind the children regularly about how to **keep themselves safe online**. It would be a good idea to chat to them at home and ask them if they know how to do this. Thank you to those who have returned Mr Kendall's recent ICT questionnaire.

Thank you for sending your children back to school with **smart uniforms, PE kits and correct footwear**. If you require any items of uniform, we are pleased to assist you with this. We regularly have very good quality second hand items of uniform - if you are interested just pop in and speak to the admin team. Please check regularly that the plimsolls or trainers that your children keep in school for PE and games lessons still fit.

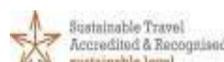
As you may remember, in September 2014, I began my role as an Executive Headteacher in Alexandra Primary school as it amalgamated its old infant and junior schools, alongside my post here as Headteacher and my role as a National Leader in Education and a Lead Head for the Local Authority. Now that Alexandra Primary School is well established and flourishing, I feel that it is a good time to recruit a headteacher who will work solely at Alexandra and I will return to Spring Grove in September. With this in mind, the Governors

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of the school and I are seeking to appoint a new Headteacher for Alexandra for September 2017. If we are successful in this search, I will return to Spring Grove full time. However, if for any reason we do not appoint a new headteacher, I will remain as Head of both schools until a suitable successor is found. Thank you for the support that I have received from the parent community, the children and the wonderful staff during the last two and a half years which has allowed me to carry out this pioneering support role across the two schools and has resulted in positive school improvement.

I feel sure that the spring term is going to be a successful and happy one for everyone.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'M. Buckby'.

Ms M.Buckby

Headteacher