



Martley Church of England Primary School

NEWSLETTER



Monday 2nd November 2015

Dear Parents and friends of Martley Church of England Primary,

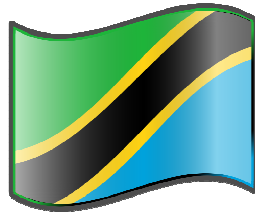
It is super to see everyone back at school with bright and cheery smiles, despite the gloomy weather.



Welcome!

We have a **new teaching assistant, Naomi McIndoe**, who will be working mainly with Rowan class. Naomi started with us today!

Welcome to **Mrs Emmy Chagwa** from our partner school, **Kambarage, in**



Morogoro, Tanzania. Emmy joins us tomorrow, Tuesday, for one whole week. We will be learning more about daily life in Tanzania from Emmy, comparing and contrasting with our own school and home life. We will also be exploring more about British customs and values. This week we will be able to talk with her about Bonfire Night and Remembrance...interesting! She will also join Willow class on their visit to a Hindu temple on Thursday. Please make her most welcome if you see her around school.

Parent Governor Elections

We welcome **Mr. Darren Knight and Mrs. Clare Maclean** to governing body as parent governors. We look forward to

them both joining us on our journey to be the Ofsted outstanding school we want to be!

HMI report: Following the positive visit from HMI at the end of last half term we are still waiting for the final report. We will let you have access to it as soon as it is available.

Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancies:

We still have **2 vacancies for lunch time supervisors**. If you would like more details then please do contact the office. We would consider job shares if you could not commit to the whole week.

Democracy and the right to vote is one of the things which we take for granted in this country. It is part of the British way of life and something that the government is keen for us to discuss with our children- 'learning about British Values'. As part of this we are carrying out our **School Action Council Elections** this week. 'Candidates' from each class have volunteered to stand for election. Speeches will be given and voting will take place later this week. We look forward to sharing with you who has been voted as representatives of the children!



Other updates for this half term.

Remembrance Service at St Peters

The Village Service is on Sunday at 10.45 a.m.

Poppies and other related remembrance items, including pencils and wrist bands are available this week from school, priced from 50p.



Website: A reminder that our school website has electronic copies of all newsletters and regular postings of photographs of events at school.

www.martley-pri.worcs.sch.uk

'Values' for this half term: We will continue to think about the values we have been exploring associated with the rugby World Cup and how they relate to our everyday life. We will also be thinking about the values of 'caring' and 'responsibility' over this half term. Take a look at the attached sheets for some ideas to share with your child.

Internet Safety

Your child will be bringing home a leaflet about internet safety. Please do take time to read it and consider the messages carefully. There is also additional information on the website:

www.superfastworcestershireshire/getnetwise.

Updates:

CHANGE to Christmas Nativity date!

Please note that we have



made a change to one of the dates for Holly/Maple class Nativity performances.

They are now due to be performed on:

Evening of WEDNESDAY 9th December

Afternoon and Evening of THURSDAY 10th December

Exact timings to be confirmed.

Reminders:

School Uniform & P.E Kit

Thank you for ensuring that our children look smart and are fully prepared for their new school year. Please help them to remain smart by ensuring that each piece of uniform is **LABELLED WITH THEIR NAME. Please check regularly that the name has not been washed out of their clothes, including their coats. Also, please make sure that your child knows where the name label is written in their clothes. Thank you.**

The lost property box is already very full. Please help us to ensure that everything stays with it's owner!



Coats and warm clothing: it is November and the weather has certainly changed. PLEASE ensure that your child has a coat at school EACH day. The children do have 3 breaktimes OUTSIDE each day. Thank you.

Staying Safe:

Bonfire night-please have a fun and safe time with your children at any events you may attend.

Andrew Massey-Head Teacher