



Durham Lane Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Head Teacher Interviews

Just to let you know that the interviews for my replacement take place tomorrow and Wednesday (March 3rd and 4th). The three candidates (selected from a fantastic field of nineteen) are being interviewed by a panel of five governors, with the support of a local authority advisor. The children are involved as participants in assemblies and as part of School Council interviews. All staff and governors will also meet them after school tonight at an informal meeting. The whole process has to follow a set protocol laid down by the local authority and has been very time consuming for the governors involved. I am very confident that they will make a great appointment and would like to thank them for their time and wish them good luck for the next two days! We will, of course, inform you of the outcome in due course.

New Governors

Welcome to our two new governors, David Mumford and Rebecca Jackson who have been attending meetings this term.

Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancy

Due to family circumstances, Mrs. Gehrman has stepped down from her lunchtime supervisor role. We are all very sad about this as she is an excellent part of the team, but understand her reasons for doing so. She will, however, remain part of our After School Club team.

As a consequence, we have a vacancy for a lunchtime supervisor (male or female) to start as soon as possible. The position involves one hour a day, five days a week, 12-1pm, working with our lovely children as they eat their dinners and/or supervising their outdoor play. If you are interested in this position, please contact the school office by Monday 9th March for an application form.

Snow Plough

Many, many thanks to one of our parents, Mr. Wolverson, who has very kindly donated a push along snow plough to school. Hopefully, Mr. McMillan won't need it this winter, but we are very grateful for this generous donation as it is a bit of a major task when snow falls to get it cleared from our entrances and exits.

Parent's Evenings

Because March is incredibly busy this year, we are splitting Parents' Evenings across two weeks so they are on Monday 16th March and Monday 23rd March. Boards to sign up for appointments will be in the front entrance from Friday 6th March. As part of our annual collection of parents' views, we are going to be asking you a couple of questions about what you think our curriculum covers and anything that you think is missing from it. Thank you in advance.

Milk/juice Carton Tops

We are currently collecting these plastic tops to be recycled for money by Guide Dogs for the Blind and Wheelchairs for the Freeman Hospital. We are still collecting stamps for Bone Cancer Research and recycling batteries.

Mrs. J.A.C. Ball
Head Teacher

