



# Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

What a brilliant Sports' Day and how great to see so many of you at the event. I loved seeing the children engaged and learning the value of team work and effort to achieve good outcomes. Next week is our Festival day which this term is about a chariot festival from the Hindu tradition. The children should come to school dressed in either Indian cultural dress or festival costumes – something bright and different from normal school uniform. We have a group from a local temple coming to sing with us, some special food and creative arts activities. We will end the day with a parade around the school pulling a chariot and statues from our worship room. A puja ceremony will take place after school to give blessings for the new phase of our school's development.

On Tuesday was the start of the holy month of Ramadan. We wish all our Muslim pupils a very special month of reflection and spiritual insight. One of our festival days in the Autumn term is Eid and I am pleased that our link with a local Muslim school will encourage learning as their students visit our school to give a presentation – more on this in the new year!

Only 2 more weeks until the summer break. There will be a lot of administrative and building work developments from 1<sup>st</sup> August through to spring 2014. Although this will be a challenging time for the management of the school, I hope you know and following the generally smooth running of the school this year that we have the capacity, skills and support to ensure that no child's learning is impacted on negatively.

With best wishes

*James Biddulph*

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## Avanti Word Search

Find the following words.....

1. Avanti
2. Balta
3. Blanco
4. Shukla
5. White

## What an unusual read!!

Parents please help your child by sending in or email photos of reading in unusual places.

There is a WHSmith voucher for the best photo!

Entries by Monday 3.30pm and GOOD LUCK

During Ramadan Muslims fast from dawn to sunset. The Muslim year is a lunar year which is about 11 days shorter than the solar year on which the Gregorian (British) calendar is based, so Ramadan occurs ten or eleven days earlier each year in the Gregorian calendar. Fasting (sawm) is one of the five pillars of Islam, requiring self-discipline and giving everyone some experience of deprivation. Those who are not able to fast are expected to give charity to compensate for the lost days. While children may be encouraged to fast, the full fast is not compulsory until maturity; but many young people still attempt to keep some, or even all of it.

For Muslims it is the holiest month and one they try to dedicate to spiritual renewal, prayer and intensive devotional reading of the Qur'an. It is the month in which, according to Islamic belief, the Prophet received the first revelation of verses of the Qur'an.



My name is Paul Judge. I graduated last year from Greenwich University with a Higher 2:1 degree in Sports Science with Professional Coaching. I hold a Level 1 Football Coaching Qualification and along with this I hold a Level 1 Tennis Coaching Qualification, Basketball Leadership Award and (HSLA) Higher Sports Leadership Award. I am CRB checked and first aid trained. At present I work at King Solomon High School. For the past three years I have run football coaching sessions for children in four different Primary Schools. From September I am offering after school football coaching sessions for Year 1 and 2 pupils. These sessions will consist of fun warm up activities, a main activity and matches. Letters will be distributed in the first week of September.



## Key Dates

**12<sup>th</sup> July** Sports Day 9-12pm

**17<sup>th</sup> July** Avanti Court Ratha Yatra Festival Day

**26<sup>th</sup> July** Last day of term!

## Golden Book Achievers

White **Yogitha**  
Blanco **Naian**  
Balta **Akshaya**  
Shukla **Shantie**  
Blue **Kiran S.**

## Attendance & Safeguarding

Full school **93.93%**  
White **96.31%**  
Blanco **100%**  
Shukla **96.03%**  
Balta **96.43%**  
Blue **93.33%**



Lunch Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Dish	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans	Rice & Daal (Yellow moong)	Veg pasta	Margarita Pizza	Macaroni Cheese
Vegetables	Sweetcorn	New Potatoes	Sweetcorn	Sweetcorn Kidney Bean & Chickpea Salad	Carrots
Dessert	Ice Cream & Fruit	Banana Cake	Rice Pudding (Jam)	Fruit Salad with Yogurt & Honey Topping	Apple Crumble & Custard



"The secret of change is to focus all of your energy not on fighting the old, but building the new"

Socrates