

Princess Fred's Matters



"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me"
Philippians 4, Verse 13.

Thursday 19th July '18

Dear Parents and Carers,

Church Service and key dates for September

A friendly reminder that there will be an end of year church service at 10:30am at St Mark's Church on Friday 20th July. You are warmly invited to join the school as we say our final goodbyes to Year 6 and celebrate the end of the school year. Pick-up will be at 1:30pm.

School will start again at normal time on Wednesday 5th September.

A farewell message from Ms Simpson

I am writing to say farewell to you all. It has been my very great privilege to serve as Headteacher of Princess Frederica. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time at Freds. The school has become very dear to my heart and I will leave with many happy memories of staff, parents, governors and most of all pupils. My heart is full of such special Fred's memories that will stay with me forever. I will miss you all. I would like to thank you for the support you have given to me and the school during my time here. I would also like to thank the staff for being 'Simply the best'. Mr Richards will steer the school community through the next phase of its journey and I have the utmost confidence that the school will continue to thrive.

I know that the school will continue to flourish in the future and I wish you and your children all the very best for a bright future. Thank you all so much.

A very proud headteacher of Princess Frederica

Thank you to our fantastic and supportive PSA

The school would like to thank our fantastic PSA for the work they have been doing through the academic year. Events such as book week (which was still a great success despite the snow causing all sorts of havoc during the week) and Art Week simply wouldn't be as big and exciting if it was not for the PSA. They also continue to help with trips and visitors helping us to enrich the curriculum for all children. A special thank you to the team who ran 10k and raised money to finance new playground markings that you will see when the children return in September.

Thank you to our school governors

We would also like to say a big thank you to our governing board. Their support has been valuable this year as we continue to work together to ensure the successful future of our wonderful school. Their work on the ABC fund has been of great benefit to the school and has ensured the continuation of enrichment programmes such as African drumming. They also work tirelessly behind the scenes.

To the staff

Both Ms Simpson and Mr Richards would like to take this opportunity to recognise the fantastic staff team that we have here in place at Princess Frederica. The whole staff work tirelessly to provide the highest standard of education for the children. We feel extremely proud to work with them and look forward to another successful academic year from September. Until then, we hope they enjoy a very well earned rest.

Farwell messages

We should like to wish Ms Ridoutt, who is moving to a primary school closer to her home, all the best for her future. She stepped successfully into her position as Year 3 Canberra class teacher and has been a valued member of staff ever since. We are also saying good-bye to Ms Herath (Key Stage 2). We wish her the best of luck on her future plans.

Thank you to our parents

Finally, thank you to the parents who help make this school the special school that it is. Your support, encouragement and engagement helps to create young people who are happy, engaged, positive and enthusiastic about coming to school every day. From all the staff at Princess Frederica, we hope you enjoy your summer break.

Message from the PSA

We wanted to close the Freds year by saying a big thank you to all the parents, carers and staff who have supported the Parent Staff Association whether it has been by giving time, spending money at a fundraising event, being a class rep, running a project, having an idea and seeing it to fruition or quite simply putting up with the endless torrent of parentmails from us!

The PSA has done so much more this year than ever before – the amazing result from the 10k running team Freddy Steady Go; Silent Auctions of Premier League Football tickets and Live Nation gigs; an array of discos for all years in the school; more transformation on the embankment; painting foursquares in the playground and, let's not forget, our big hit of the summer, Fredstival. Some of the money we've raised will go towards playground improvements taking place over the Summer holiday as well as our regular annual events such as Book Week and Art Week.

Our recent Green for Grenfell mufti day raised £661 for the Tower Appeal run by the Evening Standard's Dispossessed fund, the total boosted by a very generous £250 from the Premier League.

On Monday we attended the school's special assembly for Miss Simpson and, on behalf of all parents, thanked her for her contribution to school life over the last 3 years. Knowing her fondness for fashion we presented her with the ultimate farewell gift, two must-haves for this season – a 2018 Leavers' Hoodie and a Fredstival t-shirt!

Have a lovely summer and we look forward to raising more money with you to enrich the environment of our children at Freds next academic year. We couldn't do it without all of you.

Lucy and Peter
PSA Co-chairs

Reception and Year 6 Graduation

On Wednesday 18th July, Year 6 were joined by Reception in celebrating their respective moves (reception moving in Year 1 and Year 6 moving onto secondary school). It was an opportunity for the Year 6 children to say good-bye to their reception buddies and wish them the best of luck for the rest of their time here at Princess Frederica. The children exchanged cards. After this Year 6 received a bible from the Gideons, received a certificate for their academic achievements and listened to warm words from the school leaders about their tremendous efforts both this past year and the years before. We wish Year 6 the best of luck in their future endeavours and while they will be missed, we hope they continue to flourish in the manner they have done while with us. We are proud of them!



School Prayer

Dear God,
As we come to the end of this school year, we voice our gratitude for the good things you have done in us, and we praise you for all who have shared in the work of this school. We give thanks for watching over our community and pray for children's safe return to us in September,

Amen

