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## Lyng Church of England Primary Academy

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### NEWSLETTER

6<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Lyng Primary,

This week we have had a number of visitors into school. Mrs Galletly our Diocesan Officer and a SIAMS Inspector has visited to identify and support our vision and Christian values. We also had a visit from Governors and our Academy Group Executive Principle. It is always a delight to show professionals around who support our school, to see our children's learning and identify actions to make our environment and school even better.

#### **New Federation SENCO**

We are absolutely delighted to announce the successful appointment of our new Federation SENCO, Mrs Smith. Mrs Smith comes to us as an excellent qualified SENCO and Senior Leader. Previously, she has held posts as a Deputy Headteacher and SENCO in a larger school and SENCO in a school similarly sized to Lyng before recently moving to Norfolk. I am sure you will all welcome her with open arms.

Upon settling, she will aim to meet with parents of children with SEN for pupil reviews and support planning. We are very excited to be adding expertise into our team who will continue to support outcomes for all children.

In the meantime, please continue to share SEN updates with myself, Mrs O'Sullivan and your class teacher.

#### **Riding and driving into school**

Thank you for being aware of parking and road safety. Please continue to be mindful of riding your bikes and scooters into school on our beautiful country lanes. We have been informed by local residents of their concerns.

#### **Data Update Forms**

Thank you to those of you who have already returned your emergency contacts update forms, Home School Agreements and Photo Permissions. Please could we ask that these are returned to the school office no later than Friday 13 October if you have not already done so. If you have mislaid your originals, please see Mrs Rudd for a duplicate copy.



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### **Phonics Workshop**

Parents of children in Reception, year 1 and year 2 are invited into school on Wednesday 18 October when we will be holding a Phonics Workshop. This will start at 2.00pm. Miss Allen and Mrs Fretwell will be sharing our new phonics scheme – Read, Write, Inc – and demonstrating how parents can support their children at home. We hope as many of you as possible are able to join us.

### **Open Afternoon – September 2024 Intake**

We will be holding an Open Afternoon on Thursday 12 October between 2 – 3pm for families whose children are due to start school in September 2024. Please do come and join us if you have a child who is due to start school then and let any friends or relatives know that may also be interested. It will be a great opportunity to come and have a look round the school, meet the class teacher and Executive Headteacher and see what Lyng Church of England Primary Academy can offer!

### **Harvest Festival**

This will take place at Lyng Church on Monday 16 October at 10.00am. (Please note time change; we had previously said this would be held in the afternoon) We will be collecting items for the Mid Norfolk Food Bank – if you would like to make a contribution, please send your child into school with this, either on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October, or at the end of the previous week. Please make sure any donations are long life, unopened, in-date and don't need to be refrigerated. The Mid Norfolk Food Bank website gives an indication of the kinds of items they are most in need of, so please do check there. We hope to see as many of our families there as possible and join with us for a wonderful celebration of harvest time.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the warm weather we continue to have in our beautiful county.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Shannon O'Sullivan  
Executive Headteacher