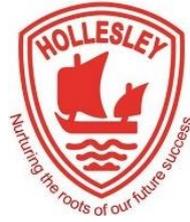


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Annual Report to Waldringfield Parish Council – April 2022

Since the last report to the Parish Council, the school has been impacted by the lockdowns during the Coronavirus pandemic. It has been an incredibly difficult and unsettling time, but thanks to a loyal team and supportive parents, we are now able to enjoy some sort of normality and it is lovely having our whole school community back together again and being able to open our doors to visitors once again.

We pride ourselves on being a small, friendly school where individual needs are met and all involved in our school are listened to and respected. On a daily basis this ethos is seen through an active learning atmosphere that gives all children the opportunities to succeed. In September 2021 we formally federated with Hollesley Primary School. Both schools are committed in continuing to provide a small, nurturing, inclusive environment, where individuals are welcomed and celebrated.

Waldringfield currently has 103 children on roll, organised into four mixed age classes, with the exception of Reception, who are taught on their own. We have a 11 children who are eligible for Free School Meals (11%) and 24% of the school roll are currently on the SEND register, 7% are supported through an Education and Health Care Plan. There are four full time teachers at Waldringfield, one of these is paid on the Leadership scale and is the Senior Teacher and the other three are main pay scale teachers. The school also employs a trainee teacher. The school benefits from nine Teaching Assistants. PPA is provided through the trainee teacher covering the classes and an outside PE provider. Breakfast Cub and After School Club is run by school staff.

We are well staffed and well resourced, enjoying spacious learning areas inside and outside. We have an active PTA association (WSA) who organise activities and events for the pupils' enjoyment as well as family activities to raise money for resources and to support trips. Even through the recent pandemic, they have been able to organise Christmas and Easter activities for the children, Mother's Day and Father's Day gift shops and paid for the school to enjoy the Wolsey pantomime remotely.

The children are fundamental to our school and throughout the year the school council continues to meet weekly, the children facilitate and clerk the meeting very effectively whilst the rest of the school listen attentively. We enjoy celebrating achievement and the weekly Sharing Assemblies are very popular and the children chosen to represent their class are very proud to show and display their work.

We continue to all work hard on our values of respect, responsibility, resilience, resourcefulness, readiness and reflectiveness. Personal and social development are all part of our learning and we continue to work on our independence, exploration and stamina. We now follow Cornerstones for our curriculum and this enables children to learn through a different topic each term (or shorter topics within the Early Years classroom). We are always looking for members of the community to enhance our learning, so if you have a speciality or an expertise relating to one of our topics, please contact me. The list of topics can be found on our website, under curriculum. All classes will again participate in Forest and Beach School during the Summer term, using our local environment to learn across the curriculum.

The school continues to have a committed team of staff, Governors and local volunteers working hard to do the very best for all pupils, so that we can all work together and learn to achieve our potential.

Thank you to all those regularly involved with the school. Please let us know if we can support the community further. Thank you all for your continued support, in making this another successful year for our school.

Sarah Wood (Executive Headteacher)