



THE PERSE PELICAN NURSERY AND PRE-PREPARATORY SCHOOL

11 February 2009

HALF TERM HOLIDAY

We hope that you all have a lovely long rest and that you stay healthy.

PA/SCHOOL SECRETARY APPOINTMENT

I was gratified to receive over 30 applications for this key post. Having interviewed 6 candidates it was immediately clear that the field leader, and by some margin, was Mrs Helen Norman (Ben RGM). I am delighted to tell you that Mrs Norman has accepted the post and will start work in the office on 09 March. She will work alongside Ms Sadlowski from Monday – Thursday of that week and we will say our farewells to Ms Sadlowski on Thursday, 12 March.

WOW DAY

WOW says it all! Thank you for supporting this national initiative on behalf of SOS Children's Villages. We are very grateful and expect to be able to send a significant donation to the charity; which will be much appreciated in these difficult times.

SNOW

A big thank you to the staff who braved the elements so that we could maintain continuity of service for our families. Unfortunately events took a turn for the worse much earlier than was expected on the first day of snow and, with a deteriorating forecast, we were left with no option but to close. Our policy is to stay open so long as it is safe to do so and I would like to thank all those parents who commented favourably about the way we dealt with the 'significant weather event'.

In the event of poor weather Mr Wilson will place a message on the school's answer phone at 6.30a.m. advising parents as to whether we are open or closed and a message will appear on the front page of the school's website by 7.00a.m. If you ring in please try to avoid leaving a message unless it is absolutely essential.

NEWS FROM OUR DIRECTOR OF MARKETING

Summer Activity Camp at The Perse Prep

We have recently agreed to let part of the Prep School to an organisation called Super Camps over the summer holidays.

Super Camps run activity camps for children aged 4 to 11. They run over 60 camps across the UK and have over 12 years experience. Their programme offers a balanced mix of sports and arts and crafts, from Clay Modelling and Art Explosion to Archery and Motor Quads, to ensure children are kept active, safe and happy.

Super Camps will be at The Prep for five weeks from 20th July until 21st August 2009 running the activity camps from 9.30am to 4.30pm. They offer free extended days which allow children to be dropped off at 8.00am and picked up at 6pm.

All enquiries should be made directly to Super Camps as the school is not involved in the organisation or running of the activity camps.

Call 01235 832222 or visit www.supercamps.co.uk

You will find further information in the accompanying booklet.

WORK EXPERIENCE

We will have a graduate working alongside us in school for two days after the holiday. She is planning a career in teaching and is known to us. She will be here on Tuesday, 24 and Wednesday, 25 February.

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Headmistress