

Link July for August

At the end of our Summer Term (25 July) we said goodbye to Mrs Billington, our Headteacher. Mrs Billington had been at Offwell School since January 2013 and she is leaving to take up a post at a larger school in Exmouth, the Beacon School.

In the last week of term the children had a chance to wish her well:

Ash Class

Willow Class performed a song based on Row Row Row Your Boat

Beech Class

Oak Class wrote an acrostic poem 'Goodbye Mrs Billington'

Saying goodbye can be difficult but all enjoyed the occasion which was a mixture of humour and sadness.

During her time at Offwell Mrs Billington:

- did much to forge links with not only a number of local schools but also much wider afield – we had links with Kombezi in Tanzania and under the Erasmus+ links with schools in Spain, Italy and Latvia. Some of staff were able to visit Africa and staff and children had the opportunity to travel to Europe. These links give us all the chance to see what the rest of the world is like and keep our minds open and growing.
- Oversaw the incorporation of Offwell Under Fives Pre-School into the main school to form a governor led Nursery/Foundation Unit. This allows us to offer on-site education for children from the ages of rising 3 to 11.

Thank you for all you did Mrs Billington and good luck in the future.

Times and schools need to keep moving so the Governors of Offwell have appointed an experienced Acting Headteacher for an interim period of at least one term. Mrs Legg takes over on 1 September and we will give you more information on her in the next Link.

You may also notice a change in our Link entries with pictures. Under the new GDPR guidelines