



# Fairisle Infant and Nursery Schools children's newsletter



## End of year newsletter

Here is our final newsletter of the year. We hope you enjoy reading!

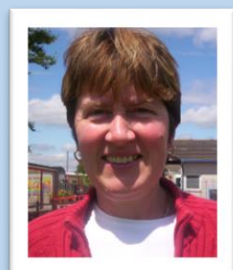
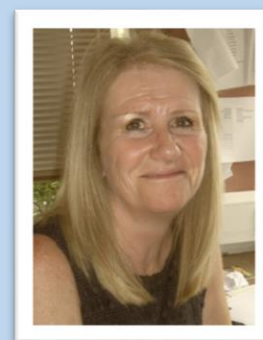
### Time to say our goodbyes

The time has come for us to sadly say goodbye to several members of staff, some of whom have been with us for quite some time.



Sue Chester, you will all know as one of our amazing admin staff, is retiring starting at Fairisle Infants in 1989! During her time with the school she has used her versatile skill set and had many different roles including a teaching assistant, ICT support and her current role in the office. Mrs Chester always has a smile on her face and funny quip to spread that happiness to others. She loves to go on adventures and has enjoyed sharing her incredible cruise plans, making us all very jealous! She will be truly missed!

Sadly that is not the only member of our admin team we will be losing this year. Cathy Holton, our fantastic attendance lead, is also retiring. Mrs Holton has worked at the school since 2000 and we are sure many of you have spoken to her when reporting your child's illness. Mrs Holton's gentle and caring manner has always meant she has been a reassuring presence in our admin team. We hope that Mrs Holton will enjoy the opportunity to take in more shows and ballets as she hangs up the office phone for the final time.



They say things always come in three's and indeed they do! Another one of our long-standing members of staff, Mrs Hurst, is leaving us for adventures new. Tracy Hurst has worked across the nursery and school in Fairisle for 23 years, supporting many children in her time. Mrs Hurst has a wealth of experience in special needs and we have been lucky to benefit from these super skills. We wish her all the luck in her new adventures.

Finally, we will be saying goodbye to two of our nursery staff Mrs Fisher and Mrs Young. Both have worked in Rainbow and Sunshine nursery during their time with us supporting so many of our youngest Fairisle members.

We are sure you will join us in saying an enormous thank you to all of our leavers for their dedication, kindness and support to all the children, families and staff. We wish them the best of luck and hope that they will come back to visit us often.

## Goodbye Year 2

Our final goodbye is to our wonderful Year 2 children now they have outgrown our infant walls and move on to new and exciting challenges at the junior school. We hope you have many wonderful memories of the times you have had with us, through Covid challenges of home learning and the many different learning journeys in school. Here are just a few reminders of the journey of the 'Class of



2023.'



## And a welcome...

As we say goodbye we also say a huge welcome to various new staff joining our Fairisle family. A familiar face, Mrs Stephens, is following in the footsteps of Mrs Chester and changing roles moving out of her teaching assistant role which she has been doing an amazing job of for the past 9 years. We are sorry to see her leave this role but very excited that she will be taking up a new challenge working in our office admin team from September 2023. Alongside Mrs Stephens, we will also be welcoming Mrs Rushton to the office admin team so please bear with us in September as our new team settle in and learn the ropes. Furthermore, we would like to say welcome to Mrs. Cookson who will be joining the year 1 team in the mornings as a teaching assistant in the new academic year.

## Memorial Wishing Well

You will have noticed a beautiful addition to our playground area this week. We would like to say an enormous thank you to Mr Meys who has so generously made this beautiful wooden wishing well decorated by all of the names of the children in Year 2 this year in memory of our Kingfisher angel Anastazja Lucka who recently lost her battle to cancer. A group of staff have worked hard to transform this area with love and kind donations of plants from Mrs Du Toit, bark from Graham Pugh at SCC and Hollie Dawson not only thoughtfully providing decorations but also contacted Newfield Gardening CIC who then generously donated lots of extra plants. Please ensure this area is afforded the care and respect before and after school that it very much deserves. Thank you.

