



The Great Oaks Federation



**Autumn Term
WOW
MOMENTS!**

Mr Booth's Bulletin

January 2018

Spring Term

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you all had a fantastic Christmas and a positive start to 2018. During the Autumn term I spent my time learning about the federation & our two wonderful schools in order to identify our strengths & potential areas that we can make even better. I have been so impressed with the quality of the children's work and their attitudes to learning. Not only have I noticed how hard they work in their lessons but their performances in the various plays, sporting activities and curriculum events have been outstanding. Likewise I have seen first-hand the dedication of the staff who really do work hard to offer the children of the Great Oaks Federation the very best.

We have worked to improve some elements of the federation already including the Nursery & Reception Outdoor areas at Wyberton, the Gateway/Meeting room at St Thomas' and the introduction of the new federation website: www.gofederation.co.uk Our schools have started to work much more closely together. The staff frequently share training, classroom ideas and increasingly we are offering the children the chance to work together. We have had lots of visitors to both schools and our teachers regularly lead training for other schools.

In the Spring Term it's my aim to be much more visible to both parents and pupils now that I have got to grips with how the federation works. I really want to work with parents closely over the next couple of terms to hear your ideas and suggestions for improving our schools through the development of a parent forum. Details of this will be coming out soon. So going forward if I'm in school you will hopefully see me outside in the mornings looking for someone to chat with! Your children can also expect to see me popping up more often in their classrooms and assemblies. And if you don't see me the chances are I'm doing exactly the same thing just at the other site.

We will continue to work hard to keep you informed of all that is happening across the federation and I urge you to visit the new website, have a look at our Twitter account @GreatOaksFed and download the St Thomas & Wyberton Apps for your phones from the APP store. (for the App just search Wyberton or St Thomas in the App store) Its going to be a really exciting term!

Yours Sincerely,

Gavin Booth
Executive Headteacher



Wyberton - Nativity



St Thomas' - Nativity



Wyberton -
60th Anniversary



St Thomas' - Firework
Spectacular Event



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'From little acorns grow mighty oaks'