

CHEQS October 2020

Southrop C of E Primary School

Together we can fly

By the end of the second week of term all of our pupils had returned to school, including our new Reception children. Staff and pupils really appreciate having the classes full again. We are very happy to have welcomed our new sports coach too, Miss Belcher, who is also a player for Gloucester Rugby. Becky began playing rugby from the age of 5 alongside her brother at her local club. She used to do ballet in the mornings before turning up to rugby in the afternoon still in her tutu and bun before joining straight in with the boys! She has already built a great relationship with our children already.

We would normally be thinking of all things literary at this time of the year, preparing to go to Cheltenham Literature Festival and to participate in the Luke Bitmead Literary Award, which sadly is not going ahead this year. Fortunately we will still be able to participate in the Literature Festival on-line at the beginning of October.

The topic this term in Swans is **The Power of the Earth**, looking at volcanoes, mountains and earthquakes. As well as studying rocks and soils we are looking at the art of the Japanese artist Katsushika Hokusai and his iconic tsunami picture and the music of composer Hans Zimmer. In Cygnets it is **What is under your feet?** The children will be thinking about all the wonderful things that they would find if they just dug a little deeper, fossils, bones, insects, mud and lava.