

Newsletter 21st July 2021





Dear Parents and Carers,

This is the final newsletter before the summer break. It's been another turbulent year but we are grateful for our wonderful school community and the support given during the last year - we made it! It would not have been the same without the support and commitment we have received. I wish you all a fantastic summer break. I also need to say a 'special' goodbye to our Year 6 pupils and their families as they leave the school and transition to their secondary schools. The children have been a credit to the school and we wish them all the very best for a happy and successful future. I would like to thank all our staff throughout the school and all our governors, who work tirelessly to ensure our school is a happy and safe place for all our children to learn and grow.

We hope you all have an enjoyable summer and we look forward to welcoming you all back on Thursday 2nd September.

Extra Curricular Clubs in the autumn term

This year, we have been unable to organise lunchtime and after school clubs due to COVID restrictions. However, we are really hopeful that from September, we will be able to offer a wide range of clubs for all the children. In our recent Pupil Parliament meetings, the children suggested lots of different clubs that they would to be able to choose from. Having considered their options as well as taking into consideration our staffing and resources available, we are hoping to run the following clubs next term. We will be writing to you at the beginning of the autumn term with more details.

Lunchtime Clubs

- Chess club
- Stevenage Borough Football Club
 - Library club
 - Lego club
 - Drawing club

After School Clubs

- Netball
- ❖ Football
- Stevenage Borough Football Club
- Kid Fit (will be running a club for EYFS/KS1 and another club for KS2)
 - ❖ Golf
 - Choir
 - Cooking club
 - Drama club for KS1 and KS2
 - Gymnastics or dance
 - Table Tennis
 - Illustrators club
 - * Arts and crafts club

updated Publications for Parents and Carers

PARENTS AND CARERS GUIDANCE

What parents and carers need to know about schools during COVID-19 https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak

PARENTS AND CARERS GUIDANCE

Guidance for parents and carers of children attending community activities, holiday or after-school clubs, tuition and other out-of-school settings.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-for-parents-and-carers-of-children-attending-out-of-school-settings-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak

Covid update

Please be aware that the symptoms of the new Delta variant are presenting very differently in children and are typically beginning with a headache / sore throat and a temperature. If your child, or anyone in your household, has any of the three main symptoms of Covid19 (temperature, persistent cough, loss of taste/smell), then your whole household must self-isolate and the symptomatic individual must take a PCR Test, not a Lateral Flow Test.

Enterprise Day

A huge thank you to all the families and friends who have purchased items made by the children for Enterprise Day. Altogether we made £640 but we haven't yet been able to calculate the gross profit for each class. We look forward to announcing this at the beginning of next term.

Pupil wellbeing - summer self-

care

The Anna Freud National Centre for Children and Families have produced a Selfcare Summer Primary resource, which you can access via the link below. It is full of fun activities designed to help children look after their mental health and wellbeing while enjoying themselves over the school break. It's all part of the Centre's Selfcare Summer campaign which highlights activities, support and advice every day throughout the summer. It includes Challenge Tuesdays where young people can share their art work, photography, poems, crafts or activities to help support their wellbeing over the summer. We hope your children will enjoy this resource.

<u>final-selfcaresummer-primary.pdf</u> (annafreud.org)

Happy Birthday to these children who will be celebrating their birthday in the summer holiday.



Murphy Phipps - 26th July Sophie P - 5th August Riya L - 9th August Shiva M - 30th July Mila Mc- 23rd July Ethan L - 20th August Alessia M - 31st July Chloe O - 21st July Henry O - 23rd August Ethan S - 20th July Bobby B - 19th August Eliza H - 14th August Finley M - 30th August Charlie 5 - 26th August Megan M- 28th July Alfie M - 26th August Cailin S - 9th August Maddie G - 21st July Jasmine L - 19th August









Here is the information regarding P.E lessons so that you know which days your children will need to come to school in P.E kits next term.

CHANGE TO TIMETABLE - YEAR 6 WILL BE HAVING PE OUTDOORS ON TUESDAY AND NOT MONDAY AS ADVERTISED LAST WEEK

INDOOR PE TIMETABLE Autumn 2021

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
Session 1							
	Morning Break 10.15-11am						
Session 2					Reception		
	Lunch 12-1.30pm						
Session 3	Year 2	Year 1			Year 6		
	Break 2-2.30pm						
Session 4	Year 4	Year 3			Year 6		

OUTDOOR PE TIMETABLE

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday				
Session 1									
	Morning Break 10.15 -11am								
Session 2									
	Lunch 12-1.30pm								
Session 3		Year 6	Year 2	Year 1	Year 4				
	Break 2-2.30pm								
Session 4		Year 5	Year 3						

Supporting your child with their catch up

The department for education has launched an <u>information site</u> for parents, to support children of all age ranges and abilities catch up on lost learning from the pandemic. The site features advice and support for parents of children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), as well as programmes, resources and activities for children and young people this summer.

Further information can be found on the education catch-up for your child homepage.

Dates for your Diary

July

22nd - INSET Day 5

<u>September</u>

1st - INSET Day (school closed for children) 2nd - Autumn term starts. Children return to school