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Long Sutton C of E V A Primary School & Toybox Preschool

<u>NEWSLETTER</u> <u>AUTUMN TERM 2018 NOI</u>

I do hope you have all had a lovely summer break and been able to enjoy time with your children as well as making the most of the dry and often sunny weather. I am sure many of you are also pleased the holidays are over and that you can get back to normal! Although it is always a struggle to come back to school after the holidays, we are all really looking forward to this year and all the exciting opportunities it will bring. We look forward to seeing each child grow and learn in so many ways and to help them through the inevitable ups and downs that daily life brings.

I would like to welcome all our new children into our school family and hope you will be very happy here. We have 15 new children joining our Reception Class. We also have Jasper joining Yr1 and Ben joining Yr4. We wish you all the best for your time with us.

Anyone who has managed a scrap book or diary over the summer please share it with your teacher and either bring it to share with Mrs Reynolds or catch her when she is in your class. Also did you find new books and authors to share with others, Again, please share these with your teacher but also write down the book, author and reasons why you enjoyed this and hand it to the office. We will then share these in a newsletter next week.

Swimming

We are hoping that our pool will remain in use over the next few weeks depending on the weather.

Please can children have swimming kits in school every day as well as PE kits. Harrier Class will be swim-

ming at Strode this term, starting on Wednesday 12th September.

Our School pool will also be open for Splash on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays while the weather lasts (as long as there are enough volunteers to run it and the child use it).



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Tuesday Morning Running

Mrs Astington is continuing The School Mile Tuesday Morning Running Club. Both children and adults are welcome to join the run at 8.20 each week—meet on the playground. If it is raining or very frosty the children will do some form of exercise in the hall. Please can they wear PE kit and trainers/daps and make sure they bring an extra pair of socks to school in case these get damp. There will be no run on Tuesday 25th September due to the Year 5/6 Residential.

Available to you!

You may have noticed that we have had to have some work done to some of the trees. As a result of this there are some logs available.

Also we have a child's bench/seat which we no longer require and would like to go to a good home.

If you wish to have either of these items for a donation to the school fund, please contact the office. Buyer collects!

Outside Play Equipment and Playrun

Please can you not let your children go on any of the play equipment before or after school as we are not covered by our public liability if it is not supervised by school staff. It is really important that you support us in reinforcing this with the children.

I would like to say a huge thank you to Mr Graeme Chappell (Symes and Son) and Mr Aaron Mead (AJM Electrics) for the great work they did in the school over the holidays and the time, help and support they give us on an on-going basis. "Walking together and learning together through life's adventure."

Parking at drop off and pick up

A Reminder please can all parents use the village hall car park and not the staff car park. We need to keep vehicle movements to a minimum at all times in the staff car park to keep everyone safe. Only those with a disabled badge or who have a particular need and have discussed this with the school beforehand should use the staff car park.

Make sure that you try to back in to space in the village hall and only park around the edges. There should be no need to park in the middle and this makes it unsafe for children walking out to parents. Thank you for your support with this

Firstly a reminder to all parents that if you wish to use 3.30 Club you need to book this ahead of time. It should be booked via Mrs



Moseley either by speaking to her in person or by calling 07771 696058 If you call the school office they will have to check with 3.30 Club to see if there are spaces. At the moment there are spaces most days.

When you collect from 3.30 Club you need to use the gate to the side of the main reception, you will now find that this has an intercom to use for entry and exit to keep the children safer.

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Celebration Worship

This will be at 3pm each Friday. We have changed the name back to 'Celebration Worship' as we feel it is important that the children learn to celebrate everyone achievements as well as their own and that they can be pleased for others when they achieve.

Please can parents wait outside the back door until it is open and then walk in silently. We have been talking to the children about Rights and Responsibilities as part of our behaviour policy and one we have been focusing on is 'I have the right to be listened to' and I I have the responsibility to listen'. Please can parents remember this during well done.



Can I also ask for mobile phones to be left at home or in the car. If this is not possible we ask that phones are turned off during this time. Again thank you for your support

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PE and Clubs

There is to be a slight change to PE lessons for Harrier and Kite Class. They will be having PE Coaches from Pro-coaching to teach their PE. This will be on a Monday for both and also Friday for Kites. Harrier's will be swimming at Strode this term, starting Wednesday 12th September. Please can all children have their full school PE kit in school everyday including daps or trainers.

The Extra Curricular clubs will also be run by the coaches from Procoaching, with KS1 Club on Mondays and KS2 on Wednesdays for the first half of term. We may extend this to a further Club on Fridays, depending on take up in the second half of term. These clubs continue to be free.

If we have any parent who would be able to help coach any of our sports teams—this term we will have football and netball matches for Y5/6 and a Tag Rugby tournament for Y3/4, please can you let me know. Even one or two sessions would be a real help and greatly appreciated. As those



who have been to matches previously will be aware, I am keen to support the teams but have few coaching skills in football and tag rugby! You would, of course, have to carry out a DBS check, if you do not already have one.

Medical Issues and concerns

Children who have asthma or other medical issues that either need medication in school or that the school may need to deal with are required to have a medical plan. For new Parents can you let the School Office



know if you feel that your child needs one of these. Those who have had one previously will have this sent home to be reviewed and returned. This plan is to make sure all staff are aware about your child's needs and are able to support your child correctly should the issue occur in school.

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Safeguarding

I If you have any concerns about your child or another please come and speak to myself. Safeguarding is everyone business and can not be ignored. You can always contact Somerset Direct or the NSPCC yourself to share or discuss any Safeguarding concerns you have.

Here are some useful websites recommended by our DSL (Designated Safeguarding Lead – Lizzie Reynolds).

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