

STICKLAND'S C.E. V.A. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Achievements

Congratulations to our rounders team who won their tournament at Beaminster. This is a massive achievement as it's the first time this tournament has been run. It was a great afternoon with the whole team playing brilliantly and showing amazing team spirit. Well done!!



Forest School

We would like to say a huge thank you to Tom and Lauren Fox and Gavin

Foster for starting the work of clearing the paths of nettles in Forest School, we really appreciate your hard work especially in this weather. They have made it a much better environment for the children to explore.

Also just a reminder that it is good practice to check your child for ticks if they have had a forest school session in school. Ticks can carry diseases such as Lymes Disease and Encephalitis which can both have serious consequences so prompt removal (using the correct method) is recommended.

Fossa Fun Run

Thank you to Kerry Jones for organising and everyone who attended this event. It was a really lovely morning and we are really proud of all of the children who took part. There was some great running and fantastic behaviour, well done everyone!

Sports Day & The School Fair including Car Park

Sports Day is on Wednesday 28 June 1-3pm but PLEASE do not arrive before 12:45 as the children will be outside playing and this will be followed by our Summer Fair.

On Wednesday 28th June, Melbury Estate have kindly agreed to allow parents to park on the edge of the cricket field - near the cricket pavilion, you can then walk to school from there so the village is less congested. The track up to the cricket field is small and overgrown but is big enough for a car to use. However you do so at your own risk. The field will not be supervised so please be mindful of how you park, ensuring that you leave enough space to keep the entrance clear and to allow other cars to be able to leave without having to move your car. If you use the track and/or the car park you do so at your own risk.

Please don't forget to bring in your tombola prize donations and any good quality bric-a-brac this week - this is in exchange for a non-school uniform day this Friday 23rd June!













Reminder - Meet the Teacher session

This year we would like to offer a 'Meet the Teacher' session for parents. This will be an opportunity for class teachers to introduce themselves, to explain the curriculum and topics that will be being taught and also the homework expectations and routines of the new classes. It will also be an opportunity for parents to ask questions about the new year group/key stage. Please come along, even if it is your child's second year in the same class.

The days and times for this are:-

Tuesday 4th July -

Kingfisher (years 3 and 4) - 3.15-3.45 Raven (years 5 and 6) 3.45-4.15

Wednesday 5th July

Woodpecker (years 1 and 2) - 3.15-3.45 Goldfinch (Reception) - 3.45-4.15

Reminder- Hot weather

With the warm weather we are having, we would ask that you send your child into school with a named sun hat and lots of water. It is also a good idea to apply sun-cream to your child before coming to school.

Children will not be allowed outside when it is hot without a sun hat to protect them from heat stroke.

Swimming pool

The swimming pool is now up and running and the school is taking full advantage of it. Massive thank you to Jenny George and the rest of the committee for making this all happen.





Free school meals

Further to my message earlier this term, just a reminder that if you are entitled to claim certain benefits, then you can claim

for free school meals at school, and that this will also entitle you to certain other financial help. This includes a uniform contribution and payment towards the cost of trips and visitors. It also means that the school will receive extra money to help support your child. If you think that you may be entitled (even if you do not wish to claim for the meals, or if your child is in Key Stage 1) please visit the Dorset For You website for further information.

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School uniform

Please can you ensure that your child is wearing school shoes on the days that they are in school uniform. We do, however, understand that shoes can be expensive; please do contact me or the school office if you are having difficulty raising the money for school shoes.

Last Week of Term

The last week of term is always very busy and this term is no exception.

Monday 17 July- Whole School Walk

The children will come to school dressed as they would for any other Monday however, they will need suitable shoes for walking, sun cream, water and a raincoat.

Tuesday 18 July - Fossa Fun Day

The children will come to school in PE kit and will need their swimming kit. Children will need a packed lunch on this day.

Wednesday 19 July - Ravens' Beach Party

Ravens' class will need to come into school dressed in appropriate beach themed clothes, e.g. shorts and t-shirts, hawaiian shirts, trainers, etc. (no sandals). The children will also need to bring with them their swimming kits. Lunch will be provided for Ravens' on this day, so no packed lunches will be required.

Thursday 20 July - Leavers Service.

This year's Leavers Service will take place at 2pm. We would like to invite Year 6 families to join us. Could you please email the office with an indication of how many people are likely to be attending.

Friday 21 July Last Day of Term

As with previous years we would like to invite families to join the children for a picnic lunch on the field at 12pm. We will be open until 3pm, however, if you wish to join us for the picnic and take your children home afterwards then that will be fine. Please could you email the office if you will be taking your child / ren early.

For the 18th and 21st we have ordered packed lunches for children in Key Stage One and also for children in receipt of means tested free school meals. If you would like to change or cancel the packed lunch you should be able to do this on the Local Food Links site.

Fossa Second Hand Uniform

Fossa sells Second Hand Uniform for £1 per item. The second hand uniform is kept in the unit in the school foyer and there is a box for donations on the top of the unit. Please pop in if you are looking for some uniform.

School Dates

Can I just remind you to check the school calendar for details of inset days, school events and school holidays. These dates are usually set before the start of the new academic year and are generally available on the school diary from June onwards. Dates include sports day, the Nativity and Christmas Service - for you to get them into your diary as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely, Ruth Adler Acting Headteacher