



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

Aspire Believe Belong and Achieve
Let your light shine - Matthew 5:16

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Please take the time to read the newsletter, it contains lots of important information.

HANDBALL CHAMPIONS!! - Last week we took 2 teams to compete in the Beaminster handball competition. The children were amazing and showed great sportsmanship to each other. Our B team won it and our A team were runners up. This is a great achievement for Sticklands as we are now undefeated for the past 3 years. Well done to all of you!!

X-Country- For the very first time a group of YR1/2 children took part in a X-Country competition at Sherborne prep. They had to all run 500m and did so well. Well done to the teams.

Facebook

We would just like to confirm that if someone adds a link in the comments please do not click on it. We would never add a link to the comments so it may be a harmful link

Inset Day

Just a reminder that **Monday 3 June is an inset day**. The children return to school on Tuesday 4 June 2023.

Christian Values

This half term we will be focussing on Respect as our Core Christian Value. This will be discussed and explored during our Collective Worship, and followed up by relating it to our everyday lives in the classrooms.

If your child needs medication in school

Just a quick reminder of the following regarding administering and receiving medicine as per our Supporting Children with Medical Needs policy:-

- We **do not** administer ibuprofen/nurofen type medicine unless it has been prescribed by a doctor.
- All medicine needs a consent form completed.
- We can administer calpol but it needs to be in the original container.
- All prescribed medicine needs to be in the original box/bottle and must have the prescription label on it.
- Medicine has to be handed in to the school by an adult. **It cannot be brought in on the bus.**

If these conditions are not met then we cannot administer medicine.



Parking in Fore Street

A concerned neighbour has mentioned that some children are letting themselves out of their parents car straight onto the road. If you are parking on a road please can you make sure that your child exits the car on the pavement side so that they are not getting out into the oncoming traffic.

Sports Equipment

We would request that children do not bring in their own footballs, rugby balls, etc. There is adequate equipment in school that they can use.

Parents' Maths Information Session

Thank you to everyone who attended this event. We hope that you found the information very useful.

Please download the Arbor App to save the school money!

If you haven't already downloaded the app we would really appreciate it if you could. When we send you an email or App message we do not get charged however, we do get charged if we have to send you a text if you don't have the app!

We get charged 4 pence for each text we have to send to people who do not have the App. At the moment that's working out at £1.20 per message!

Sports Day

This year's sports day and summer fair will be held on Thursday 20 June with a reserve date of Thursday 4 July, in case of bad weather. Please add this date to your diary. More details will follow nearer the time.

Hot weather

With the weather hopefully warming up, 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.

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.

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.

Forest School and Ticks

We would like to remind you 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.

Free trips / visits and uniform!

With the current economic situation, and following on from the welcome letter, please remember 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.

<https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/education-and-training/schools-and-learning/at-school/free-school-meals>

Cricket Opportunities

Local cricket clubs are hosting All Stars (5-8 years) and Dynamos (8-12years) sessions which introduce cricket in a fun and safe way! The programmes consist of 6 sessions between 45mins-1hour run by qualified coaches and activators. These are happening across the whole Country.

Local clubs to us are:
West Coker & Hardington CC
Yeovil CC
Sherborne CC
Charlton Down CC
Martinstown CC

To find your closest club and book onto the sessions follow the link:

[England and Wales Cricket Board \(ECB\) - The Official Website of the ECB](#)

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 the Fossa School Disco and the cake sale - get them into your diary as soon as possible.

Upcoming Events

Year 6 SATs Week - Mon 13 - Thurs 16 May
Year 6 Celebratory Lunch - Thursday 16 May
Year 6 Music Concert - Monday 20 May
Stickland's Summer Ramble for WWF - Thursday 23 May (see separate email for details)
Half Term 27 - 31 May
Inset Day Monday 3 June
Year 6 Activity Day Thursday 6 June
Cake sale - Wednesday 5 June
Rounders tournament at Beaminster School - Thursday 13 June
Non-school Uniform Day in exchange for tombola prize donation Friday 14 June
Maths Cafe for Key Stage One Monday 17 June
Maths Cafe for Key Stage Two Tuesday 18 June
Sports Day and Summer Fair. Pool open - Thursday 20 June
Bona-Fide Trombone Quartet at Greenford School for years 4 & 5 only - Thursday 27 June
Reserve Sports Day - Thursday 4 July
Moving Up Day -
Fossa Disco - Thursday 18 July
Leavers' Service and Last Day of Term - Tuesday 23 July

Please remember to keep an eye on the website calendar for school dates!

Safeguarding

At Stickland's we are committed to safeguarding children. It is the duty and responsibility of everyone to safeguard and promote the welfare of children.

If you have concerns surrounding a child's safety contact Dorset's Children's Advice and Duty Service (CHAD) on 01305 228866 immediately.

If you would like to talk to someone in school about safeguarding issues

Please email or speak to

- **Designated Safeguarding Lead: Ruth Adler**
- **Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads – Marie Stone or Kath Will**
- **Nominated Safeguarding Governor – Gay Lewis (g.lewis@sticklands.dorset.sch.uk)**
- **Please also see the E-safety page on our website for information on how to safeguard children online.**

Yours sincerely,
Ruth Adler
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