

# Shortlanesend School Newsletter 11/06/21

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Hello

We hope you and your families are all safe and well and enjoyed the sunny weather during the half-term break.

## **School News**

This term we hope to able to provide the children with extra enrichment activities to bolster their social and academic learning. Mrs Lewis (our PE Lead) is arranging sporting input across the school with a mixture of on-site and off-site provision for the children. Year 6 this week enjoyed a Cornish singing workshop thanks to Golden Tree. We also have an anti-bullying drama workshop arranged for Year 4 and 5 in the next couple of weeks. All these events and any future opportunities are still subject to the current covid-19 restrictions and procedures and are sadly at the mercy of factors out of our control.

As life beyond and outside of schools seems to be returning to 'normal', understandably some of our parents may have a few frustrations or queries regarding the ongoing pandemic arrangements and the DFE Covid guidance. Currently Aspire Leadership and Health and Safety are very clear with their guidance concerning school procedures and what is allowed to happen in school to ensure that risks are kept to an absolute minimum. Whilst we wish to be able to offer more and be more 'open' the situation prevents us. There are still unfortunately cases of covid in Cornish schools which are leading to classes and bubbles having to close.

Like everyone in the country we await the next government announcement as to any changes in what we are safely able to offer.

Thank you for your continued patience and understanding.

# <u>Year 6</u>

Our amazing Year 6 children were today presented with their special leaver's hoodies. Thank you to FOSS and Mrs Solway for arranging these. The hoodies can be worn instead of their normal jumper until the end of term if they wish.

We hope that all our Year 6 children enjoy the remaining six weeks of the term as they complete their transition from primary school children to young adults ready and prepared to start secondary school confidently. We are proud of all of you.

### **Raffle Tickets**

FOSS are asking you all to aid our school by purchasing the raffle tickets your child will bring home on Monday. All money and stubs must be returned to school by **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June**, ready for the draw at the end of the month. This the only major fundraising event we are able to hold this year, so please support if you can. Thank you.



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# After-School Club

To ensure correct staff safety rations, help with children's welfare and safety and to allow for preparation of resources, **After School Club should be booked in advance** through Parent Pay. We understand that plans can change in life, but if you know you are going to use the service, please book -Thank You.

#### <u>Parent Pay</u>

Please ensure that you regularly check and make payments to your Parent Pay account. Aspire Finance monitor all balances and code them red, amber and green. Red accounts run the risk of further action being taken should a balance build up over time without payments being made, this may involve a temporary suspension of access to services. As always please talk to us if you have any concerns with your accounts or your ability to pay.

#### <u>Swimming</u>

Years 2 and 3 started a series of swimming lessons this week. Staff report that the children were enthusiastic and enjoyed their session. The lesson will run every Tuesday until the end of term.

#### <u>Weather</u>

Next week the weather is scheduled to be warm and sunny, so please send your child into school prepared with the following:

- Hat
- Sun protection cream
- Drink bottle
- Sunglasses if needed

### Non Pupil Days/Term Dates 2021-22

We have set our INSET (Non pupil) Days for the next academic year as:

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021 Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022 Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022 Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2022 Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2022

#### Platinum Jubilee - Reminder

Due to the extra bank holiday being added next June for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, all schools must add an additional closure day within the 2021/22 academic calendar. We have decided on **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022** as our additional closure date. Therefore, our school will reopen on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June following the summer bank holiday.



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# Our Term Dates for 2021-22 are:

<u>Autumn Term:</u> Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021 – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2022 (Half-term: 25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> October)

Spring Term: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022 – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022 (Half-term: 21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> February)

Summer Term: Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022 – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022 (Half-term: 30<sup>th</sup> May – 6th June – return to school on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June**)

# Drop-off and collection arrangements – Reminder

<u>Class:</u>	<u>Arrival</u> <u>Time</u>	<u>Where?</u>	<u>Departure</u> <u>Time</u>	<u>Where?</u>
5 – Mr Easter	8:30-8:40	Corridor – Door nearest classroom	3:00	Corridor – Door nearest classroom
4 – Miss Eddison	8:30-8:40	Classroom - Side door	3:00	Classroom - Side door
3 – Mrs Ashley	8:40-8:50	Class Door	3:10	Class Door
2 – Miss Adler	8:40-8:50	Class Door	3:10	Class Door
1 – Mrs Lewis/Mrs Stanhope	8:50	Through outside area	3:10	Playground

• Staggered drop off and collection times based on class

- 1-way directional system
- An adult will be at the main gate entrance welcoming the children and supporting with the direction of movement.
- One adult per family will accompany their child unfortunately, no parent or carer will be able to enter the building



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- No child or adult should gather on the school site at any time
- Children will enter their classrooms via their external classroom door and will immediately wash their hands or use hand sanitizer.
- For collection, the gates will be open at 14:55. Do not to arrive before 14:55 as this would result in congestion
- Siblings to be dropped off/collected at earliest time
- To support the safe environment, **parents must adhere to the collection** and drop off times

# NHS Advice – A reminder

The NHS reports that the three main symptoms of Corona Virus to be watchful for are:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- a loss or change to sense of smell or taste this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

If your child has any of the main symptoms of coronavirus, get a test to check if they have coronavirus as soon as possible. Stay at home and do not have visitors until you get the test result – only leave your home to have a test. Anyone you live with, and anyone in your support bubble, must also stay at home until you get the result.

# Have a restful weekend.