

# **Newsletter**

6/9/19

#### **Dear Parents**

Welcome to the start of the new school year.

It is great to see the children looking smart and ready to learn in their new school uniforms, new shoes, new pens... the children have enjoyed showing me anything new and shiny.

Part of our uniform is the logoed school jumper or cardigan. Please make sure your child is wearing one of our school jumpers, with the school emblem embroidered on the front. This is the only item of clothing we expect the children to have with a school logo on. I've added a link to the bottom of the box for 'Brigade'. Our school jumpers can be ordered and delivered from our online supplier. If you have any difficulties getting a school jumper for your child, please come in and let us know as we have lots of second-hand, but extremely good condition, jumpers.

http://www.brigade.uk.com

### **PARKING**

It has come to my attention that some parents are parking in Mr Thatcher's farmyard carpark area. Please be aware that from July through to the end of October we are asked not to park in this area as it is in frequent use by farm vehicles for the Harvest season.

We are lucky that Mr Thatcher has allowed us to use this space during the rest of the term, so please work with him and us during this time.

Thank you.

# **SAFETY**

As always please take care when dropping off and picking up your children.

We ask that you do not park on our yellow zig-zag lines or across from the school next to the church wall. This creates a blind spot for those crossing the road and means our buses and taxis struggle to drop off.

Please be aware of our children's safety when parking.

## **SPARE UNIFORM**

At present we have lots of spare uniform available. If you are struggling to get correct uniform please speak to Mrs Hewes as we may have what you are looking for.

If you have any spare uniform, in good condition, which your children have grown out of, please bring them into school and we'll add these to our 'spare uniform' collection.

#### PARENT REPS

I am pleased to let you know that our Parent Reps are as follows:

Chelsea Medhurst, (Theo Smith's Mum, Owl Class)

Sarah Pennels, (Phoebe (Kingfisher Class) and Henry Pennels (Owl Class)

Abigail Gurd, Charlotte (Peregrine-Falcon Class) and Ivan Gurd (Skylark Class)

Please chat to any of these parents if you have compliments, concerns, ideas, spare time etc. During each term our Parent Reps will meet with myself and we will look at how our Parent Voice can be used to help our school continue to grow.

#### **KS2 Free School Meals**

Please can I encourage parents to apply for Free School Meals, if you are eligible. You do not have to have the meals but eligibility may mean that some trips are significantly cheaper for these families, and children eligible for Free School Meals attract additional funding to the school (which is important at this time of budget cuts). Free School Meals can be awarded if parents/carers are in receipt of: Income Support, Income Based Job Seekers Allowance

Income Related Employment and Support Allowance
Child Tax Credit (providing your annual income is less that £16,190)
Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit
Support Under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
Working Tax Credit 'run on', Universal Credit.

Please note, if you currently receive Working Tax Credit, you are not eligible to claim Free School Meals. However, if you become unemployed or reduce weekly working hours below 16, you can claim Free School Meals for a 4 week period after employment ceases or hours reduced.

Please contact Mrs Hewes for any further help or a form or a confidential online application form can be completed in the privacy of your own home on www.wiltshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals.

**NUT AWARE SCHOOL** Thank you for your help in ensuring we remain a nut aware school. We will be continuing to follow our Nut Aware School Policy as we have new children starting our school who have allergies of different types. It is important to keep all our children safe at Great Wishford Primary School, and this is one small change we have made in order to allow all our children this safety.

Our Policy is on our school website if you would like any further detail.

## **DIARY DATES**

- 9.9.19 Meet and Greet
  - 9.9.19- Skylark Class meet and Greet 2:30pm
  - 10.9.19- Kingfisher Meet and Greet 2:30pm
  - 11.9.19- Peregrine-Falcon Meet and Greet 2:30pm
  - 12.9.19- Owl Class Meet and Greet 9:00am
- 9.9.19- KS1 (Years 1 and 2) Sports Club 3:00pm (PLEASE LET MRS HEWES KNOW ON MONDAY MORNING IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR CHILD TO STAY TO CLUB)
- 10.9.19- kS2 Fitness Club (Years 3,4,5 and 6) 3:00pm (PLEASE LET MRS HEWES KNOW ON MONDAY OR TUESDAY MORNING IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR CHILD TO STAY TO CLUB)
- 13.9.19- Celebration Worship
- 16.9.19- KS1 Sports Club 3:00pm
- 17.9.19- KS2 Sports Club 3:00pm
- 18.9.19- Sarum Academy Year 6 Day
- 20.9.19- Celebration Worship
- 23.9.19- KS1 Sports Club 3:00pm
- 24.9.19- KS2 Sports Club 3:00pm
- 25.9.19- Sarum Academy Open Evening 5:00pm 7:30pm
- 27.9.19- Celebration Worship
- 30.9.19- Individual Pupil School Photographs- 8:30am 11:30am
- 30.9.19- KS1 Sports Club 3:00pm
- 1.10.19- KS2 Sports Club 3:00pm
- 4.10.19- Celebration Worship
- 7.10.19- KS1 Sports Club 3:00pm
- 8.10.19- KS2 Sports Club 3:00pm
- 8.10.19- Parent/Teacher Evening, from 3:30pm
- 9.10.19- Harvest Service at St Giles' Church PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR COMMUNITY SERVICE, ALL WELCOME 2:15pm
- 9.10.19- Parent/Teacher Evening, from 3:30pm
- 11.10.19- Celebration Worship
- 14.10.19- KS1 Sports Club 3:00pm

15.10.19- KS2 Sports Club 3:00pm

18.10.19- Celebration Worship

21.10.19- KS1 Sports Club 3:00pm

22.10.19- VIP Lunch

22.10.19- KS2 Sports Club 3:00pm

22.10.19- END OF TERM 1 FOR CHILDREN

23.9.19- MAT TD Day (Teaching staff)

4.11.19- START OF TERM 2 FOR CHILDREN

14.11.19 Friends of the School Disco, School Hall 6-7.30pm