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Friday 10th September 2021

Dear Families

What a lovely week we have had back at school! The children have all settled beautifully into their new classes and learnt their new routines. They have particularly enjoyed having the opportunity to spend lunchtimes together as a whole school family. It has been heart-warming to see the older children teaching the younger ones how to play games and looking after them.

We are in the process of organising clubs and trips and putting dates in the calendar for the 'usual' events. Please keep an eye out for further communications on these things. Unfortunately, due to the IT issues we have faced this week, we are a little behind on these things!

Communications

We are in the process of upgrading our internet/phone systems but inevitably are facing some glitches. As you may have already found out, the class emails are not currently working so please email the office thurlestone@lapsw.org and Mrs Brodie will forward the emails to the teachers. We have also experienced some issues with our internet connection and phone lines this week. Please be patient as we try to rectify all of these things as soon as possible to return to normality!

FTS AGM

Tuesday 14th September sees the Annual General Meeting for our lovely Friends of Thurlestone School. Traditionally this group is very active in organising lovely things for the children, families and community of the school, also raising funds to enhance the school experience. After a quiet couple of years due to the pandemic, we are keen to get fundraising again this year and would welcome as many parents or relatives as possible to this meeting which will be held at 7pm at the Village Inn.

KiVa

As part of our Anti Bullying programme at All Saints Thurlestone, We are implementing a new scheme called 'KiVa'. This has been successful in other countries and across schools in the UK who have used the same programme. Originating in Finland, KiVa concentrates on the prevention, intervention and monitoring of any bullying cases to put a stop to any incidents. It also promotes positive behaviours around each school. The children will be introduced to KiVa in the coming weeks which will also be taught alongside the PSHE timetabling for children in KS2. We welcome any questions about this scheme and are hoping that your child will enjoy being a part of a KiVa school!

Volunteers

We are now in a position where we are able to welcome parent volunteers back into school. If you would like to volunteer, please either speak to the class teacher or Mrs Brodie in the office. They will arrange a time for you to come in. Please note, that we are still working under some COVID restrictions in the school building which we will expect volunteers to adhere to and all volunteers will need a short safeguarding update with myself before they start.



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PE

All children will have PE on a Thursday this year with a specialist teacher from the Spires School. Class teachers will communicate which other day there will be a PE lesson on.

We are still in the process of organising the Forest and Beach sessions but will let you know very soon which classes will be going this half term.

Uniform

Thank you for sending the children back to school in full school uniform. Just a quick reminder that the children may wear extra layers if they feel the cold with the ventilation which is needed as part of our COVID protection measures, however this must be in addition to their school jumper/cardigan, not instead of.

School hoodies may be worn for PE but not in school instead of a school jumper.

Staff News!

Our lovely Miss Wood got married over the summer holidays and is now known as Mrs Ogglesby. She had a wonderful day and I am sure that you will agree that she looked stunning!



Miss Baldwin also had a memorable summer with a proposal from her partner. She is enjoying showing off her sparkler but a wedding is a little way off!





Over the Summer Mr Nute has been training hard for an Ironman triathlon. Next Sunday, (19th September) he will be taking part in an Iron Challenge which starts by getting into the sea at Blackpool Sands at 5am and swimming 2.4 miles. He will then get on his bike and cycle 4 laps, between Dartmouth and Kingsbridge, totalling 112 miles. Finally, Mr Nute will be putting his trainers on and running 26 miles of the South West Coast Path between Blackpool Sands and Prawle Point. Being an ex Royal Marine and currently a reservist, he loves challenging himself both physically and mentally. He's also hoping to raise some money for the Royal Marines charity (RMA) which supports both serving and retired Marines. Any contributions would be very welcome. Please follow the link.

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Ben-Nute?utm_campaign=lc_frp_share_transaction_fundraiser_page_donation_received_-_nth_donation&utm_content=385414e8-87ed-44d8-9db5-0e3ecf1f0279&utm_medium=email&utm_source=postoffice&utm_term=1631098552610

If you'd like to support Mr Nute in person Monty Halls talks through the route.

<https://rma-trmc.org/events/the-royal-marines-iron-challenge/>

Estates and Services

A huge thanks to our wonderful Estates and Services team who have worked tirelessly over the summer holiday to ensure that not only was our school thoroughly cleaned and ready for the children's return but also painted the front of the school to get it looking smart.

Kind Regards

L. Garside.

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Executive Head