



# Locking Primary School

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Thank you to all the parents who supported the school at the grand Tropicana event. We had a fabulous day which launched the start of our Multi Academy Trust. On Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October we were officially informed that our MAT had been approved. This is something we have been working on for 18 months and so very pleased it has at last been given the go ahead. For the majority of people there will be little noticeable change. Locking School will still be Locking School but now part of the Extend Learning Academy Trust as opposed to North Somerset. We are looking forward to working together, support and challenge as we continue to travel through a rapidly changing world.



## Sainsbury sports

We are very proud to share that we have achieved our Gold Sainsbury Sports Award for the second year running. This award is given to schools who show a dedication and commitment to sports. Well done to our very hard working sports crew who have helped to make this happen. Congratulations to Ben and Lara who have been voted as this years sports crew leaders. We are looking forward to starting our sports calendar with curling and cross country events. A reminder that the daily mile has started this week. We aim to run "virtually" to Australia.



## Road works information

Please be aware of the recent article published in the North Somerset Life: *The New North South Link road will run from the A371 in Locking, through the Parklands village area towards West Wick. As part of the works a new junction on the A371 will be created and the speed limit on that stretch lowered to 40mph. The footbridge over the road will be removed and a temporary pedestrian crossing installed in its place while work is carried out. This will be replaced by a fully signalised crossing at the new junction once work on the southern section of the road is complete.* If your child is walking to school independently please make sure they take extra care whilst crossings are being changed. Thank you



## School Admissions

If your child was born between 1/9/13 and 31/8/14 they will be eligible to start school in September 2018. Please apply on line through [www.n-somerset.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.n-somerset.gov.uk/admissions) A paper copy can be requested from the town hall. The closing date for applications is the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018.



## Parent Governor Vacancy

Locking Primary School currently has a vacancy for two Parent Governors. Governors play a key role in supporting the school as well as providing challenge. We are currently living in exciting times with the change to an Academy. If you would like to apply for this voluntary role please do so in writing by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October. If more than two parents apply there will be a vote. Many thanks.

We are currently looking for a Clerical Assistant with receptionist duties to start as soon as possible. We are looking for one or two people to work between 8:45 – 11:45 and 2pm – 5pm. If you would like more information regarding this position please contact the school office for a job specification. All applicants must have Maths and English to a GCSE standard.

## Clerical Assistant Vacancy

### Immunising Primary School Children against flu.

If your child is between FS2 and Y4 you will have received a letter from the NHS requesting permission from you for your child to receive the nasal flu vaccine. This letter needs to be returned as soon as possible. A limited number of spare packs are available from the school office if you have lost your original copy. The nasal spray contains viruses that have been weakened to prevent them from causing flu but will help your child build up immunity. When your child comes in contact with flu viruses they will then be less likely to become ill.

Thank you to everyone who joined us on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> for the Party in the Playground. Despite the rain we had a fabulous evening raising a total of £65 which will be used to directly benefit your children's education. Thank you to FOLs for their hard work. Tickets are now available for the very popular Firework night on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November. Gates open at 6pm. A bar, BBQ and live music will further enhance a great evening.

**FOLs events and update**

Future events include - Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December – Festive Friday café and Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December – Film night.

After School Football Club. Sport to Schools and Seagulls have now merged providing a strong partnership. All payments and bookings must be made online through [www.stsuk.org](http://www.stsuk.org) Click on after school clubs and follow the link to the correct school where you can see what clubs are running. Thank you.



**Christmas sewing workshop**

On Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November, 10am – 1pm, Mrs Jenkins will be leading a Christmas sewing workshop at the school. Participants will leave with either an elf on a shelf or Christmas bunting. All materials, coffee and cake will be provided. The cost of the day is £30 payable in advance. Sewing machines are a requirement. Please return the slip below if you would like to reserve a place. Maximum 10 places.

**Water Aid**

This year Locking's International charity will be Water Aid. The children will have opportunities to learn about the 6th Global goal – to ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all by 2030. As part of the project, every class in the school has had a "drip, drip, tip" bottle. This is still available for children to donate their small change – up to a maximum of 20p coin. Weather permitting, on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 2:45pm parents are invited to join us in the playground whilst the children create a human water pipe using the bottles. Thank you for your support.

**Harvest Festival Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October.** During the week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> October children will have the opportunity to find out more about water aid and food bank Weston super Mare. Unfortunately we are unable to invite parents to join us for our Harvest Assembly due to lack of space. We would, however, be very grateful for donations of tinned, dried and packet foods which will be collected by Foodbank on the day.

Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Assembly. Details above.
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 6 to lifeskills.
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Individual photographs.
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	End of term 1
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	Start of term 2
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Firework night. Gates open 6pm. Details above.
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents Evening. 3:30pm – 5:30pm
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents Evening. 3:30pm – 5:30pm
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	Flu immunisations for pupils FS2 – Y4. Details above
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Wear scouting uniforms for Remembrance Day.
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Pudsey bear will be visiting. Details to follow.
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need. Details to follow.
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	INSET. School closed.
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Festive Friday. Details to follow.
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Film Night. Details to follow.
Christmas Plays will take place during the week beginning 11 <sup>th</sup> December.	
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas lunch
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas party.
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas jumper day. End of term 2.

**Sewing workshop Saturday November 4<sup>th</sup> 2017.**

Name ..... would like to reserve one place and enclose £30.  
 Cheques payable to Mrs H Jenkins.

