

STICKLAND'S C.E. V.A.

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Dear Parents and Carers,



We are very pleased to be able to tell you that Ashton who competes nationally in BMX racing has had a great season and although he is only 10 he is competing in a 10 - 12 year old age category (with most of the riders being 12). Ashton has achieved 14th place in Britain and is placed 3rd in the South Region, what a fantastic achievement. Ashton trains extremely hard to be able to compete at this level and I'm sure all of us would like to congratulate him on his successes!

Home School Agreement

We still have several families that have not completed their Home School Agreement please can you contact the office if you need another copy.

Uniform – Please Name It!!!!

We have already had several parents in to look for lost uniform. Please can you ensure that your child's uniform is named otherwise it is very hard to ensure it is returned to the rightful owner.

Parking at the Start and End of the School Day

Just a reminder that you should not be using the staff car park or bus stop between 8.20- 8.50am and 2.40- 3.10pm. The school buses use both areas during these times and it is dangerous for the children if the buses cannot drop them off in these areas.

Also please can you be considerate when parking in the village as we do not wish to upset the local villagers.

Water Bottles

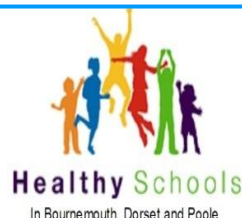
Please can you ensure that your child's water bottle for the classroom only contains water (it should not contain squash or juice). The drink your child brings for lunchtimes can contain water, squash or juice.

Raven's Showing Assembly Postponed

Unfortunately, it has been necessary to postpone Raven's Showing Assembly which was due to take place on Thursday 18 October to give the children more time to complete their Vikings homework. The assembly has been rearranged for Thursday 15 November at 9.00am. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Bags and Bookbags

Due to our increases in pupil numbers, we are finding that space in cloakrooms is becoming extremely limited. The main concern is that the children are bringing in several bags at a time, and these are being left on the floor, with the potential to cause an accident.



Whilst we are aware that on days with Forest School or PE, an extra bag may be needed, there are questions as to whether children need a large backpack as well. KS1 children do not need anything more than their book bags, and if KS2 children have these aswell, they would be much more suitable.

After School Behaviour

We are becoming increasingly disappointed about the after school behaviour of children that is being witnessed and reported at school. This ranges from children hurting each other and using inappropriate language, to a complete disregard for school property and the trees and bushes surrounding the field.

After school, your children are your responsibility, and I would strongly advise that whilst they play you ensure that wherever you choose to sit, you are able to see them at all times. As previously advised, if we continue to have acts of vandalism, then I will be notifying parents and seeking compensation for damage.

Bags2Schools Monday 24 September

Thank you to everyone who donated clothes for Bags2Schools we are very pleased to be able to tell you that this raised £52 for school.

Red, White & Blue Day

Thank you to everyone who donated we raised £83 which will be used to support armed services charities.

Parents Information Evening

Thank you very much to those parents who attended the evening on Monday 8th October. Despite a very large response from parents indicating that they would be attending, only about half of these were actually present.

Staff are always keen to share information about your children's learning and their experiences at school. They give up their evenings for these events to run workshops or supervise the creche, and it would be lovely to see more of you there!

Harvest Service

Thank you to everyone who attended the harvest service and for all of your kind donations. The food will be distributed locally by the church and any items remaining will be donated to the Evershot/Sherborne Food Bank.

Parents' Evening – 15 & 16 October

Just a quick reminder that it is Parents' Evenings next Monday and Tuesday. The sports club on Monday evening will still be running however, Film Club on Tuesday is cancelled. If your child normally attends Film Club and they catch the bus normally then we will put them on the bus on Tuesday unless you advise us otherwise.

Also, if you wish to collect your child for parents' evening on Monday or Tuesday then please email office@sticklands.dorset.sch.uk to confirm.

If you have not made an appointment and you would like to see your child's teacher then please email them direct and they should be able to arrange an appointment for you.

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.

Yours sincerely,
Kathy McCann
Headteacher