



**STICKLAND'S C.E. V.A.**

## **PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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Dear Parents and Carers,

### **School Dates**

Can I just remind you to check the school calendar for details of all inset days, school events and school holidays.

### **Achievements**

Congratulations to our Cross Country Team who raced in very boggy conditions, everyone completed the course. Our girls team did particularly well and came in 2<sup>nd</sup> overall with Bella coming 4<sup>th</sup> out of the 60 girls that took part!

Well done Olly, Ben, Frankie, Alfie, Bella, Tabitha E, Jess and Izzy K!

### **Miss Hancock**

Unfortunately Miss Hancock is unwell with glandular fever and is unlikely to be in school until after half term. As this is a crucial time for the Year 6 children with their upcoming SATs and the preparation for their move to secondary school we feel that the best thing for the children would be for Miss Stone to cover this absence as she is an experienced teacher in this age group. Mrs Hart who already teaches in Woodpeckers will be increasing her days to ensure continuity for Woodpecker Class and I will be covering in both classes as necessary. I hope you feel assured by these arrangements and that you understand that we have taken all of the children into consideration when making this decision.

### **Student – Helen Collinson**

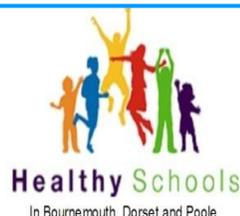
We are very pleased to welcome Helen Collinson a PGCE student who has joined us for this term. As part of Helen's training she will be working with Woodpeckers and we would all like to welcome her to Stickland's.

### **Parent Governor Needed!**

We currently have a vacancy for a Parent Governor and attached is a letter asking you to consider if this is something you can do for the school.

### **Parents Information Evening - Times Tables and their importance within all areas of Maths**

Please find attached your invitation to the above event which will be taking place at 6.00pm on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2016. The evening will be your opportunity to find out about our teaching methods so that these can be reinforced at home. As usual we will be providing a crèche to enable as many parents as possible to attend however, we would be grateful if you could return the reply slip by Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2016 so that we can ensure we have adequate staff.



## **Parents Evenings – Week Commencing 14 March 2016**

You will be able to book parents evening appointments using the Eschools platform **from Friday 22 February 2016**.

Parents' evenings are an opportunity for parents to meet with their child's teacher to discuss academic progress, behaviour and attitudes, as well as any other specific concerns or areas for celebration.

These appointments are for 10 minutes and it is important that we keep to this timeframe to ensure that other parents are not kept waiting. If you feel that you need a longer appointment then please contact your child's teacher directly. If you are making an appointment for more than one child could you please ensure that you leave a gap between appointments so that other parents are not delayed.

If you are unable to make either of these dates please contact your child's teacher directly to arrange an alternative appointment.

***Please note, clubs will not be on during parents evening!***

Yours sincerely,  
Kathy McCann  
Headteacher