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**Newsletter No.2** - 1st October 2021

**Dear Parents, Carers and Children,**

The weather has felt much more like Winter this week! Please ensure your child has a named coat and wellington boots in school as we will go outside as much as we can to learn and play.

Year 2 were very excited to go out on our first trip since the lifting of the Covid restrictions. They had a wonderful time walking around the village as 'Detectives' learning about it's history which is linked to one of their topics. Thank you to our parent helpers who accompanied us.

[This term's diary dates.](#)

**Wellbeing Week—week commencing 4th October**

Please find enclosed further information about Wellbeing week.

**Donations for Harvest Festival—Monday 4th October (Children Only)**

There will be a Harvest Assembly on Monday. Each year we have a harvest collection which we donate to the Aylesbury Vineyard Storehouse who provide help to local families in times of crisis. There are many families who need help during this very difficult time.

We would be grateful to receive food donations that are non-perishable everyday items with a good shelf life that we can donate to these causes. Please can the children bring in a donation on Monday to take to their classroom. Aylesbury Vineyard are currently asking for the following items on their website. Thank you for your support.

- Tinned or Fresh Veg
- Tinned Meat
- UHT or Fresh Milk
- Tinned or Fresh Potatoes
- Rice
- Soups
- Pasta Sauces
- Tinned Tomatoes

**No Pasta—They ask that we do not donate pasta.**

**School Photos—Wednesday 13th October**

Veronica Stewart will be visiting to take individual photos of the children. Please ensure your child comes to school dressed in full uniform.

**Parent's Evening—October**

This year we are trialling a new online booking system for parent's evening. The system is run by eSchools, the same platform we use for home/remote learning. Bookings can be made via the website or by downloading the eSchools app. A letter will be sent out to you containing your login and password details. Once you have logged in you will also have access to other information and services via this platform.



## News, Views and Celebrations

### Staffing Update

It is with sadness that we announce that Mr Rowe will be leaving us at half term. He has provided great support to the children in the classes he has worked in and we wish him the very best for the future.

### Staff Vacancies

Full-Time Teaching Assistant. Full details are shown on the Bucks Council [website](#).

WASPS Casual Playworker. Please see our [website](#) for further details.

### Schoolgateway Online Payments

We have the Schoolgateway in our school which is an online payment system. Schoolgateway enables you to make online payments to school for trips and clubs. You can make payments using the Schoolgateway app on your smartphone or from the Schoolgateway website.

We take bookings and payment for WASPS (the before and after school club) and for other school activities.

To start using Schoolgateway please follow the instructions below for registering.

**Download the app:** If you have a smartphone, please download School Gateway from your app store (Android and iPhone). The app shows the same information as the website PLUS you can send app messages to the school for FREE - this will also save the school money when we send text messages.

### OR

**Visit the website:** [www.schoolgateway.com](http://www.schoolgateway.com) and click on 'New User'. You'll receive a text message with a PIN number. Use this PIN to login to School Gateway.

We'll notify you by text or email when new items are available for payment.

If you're having trouble logging in, it may be because the school doesn't have your current email and mobile phone number on record. Please call the school and we'll update the details on our system.

We hope that you will find School Gateway to be a fast and easy way to pay for school items.

### #HelloYellow : Mental Health Day - Friday 8th October

We are supporting Mental Health Day— #HelloYellow. We wish to recognise this special cause by asking the children to come to school dressed in something yellow— it can be any one thing in yellow from a yellow hair band, a pair of socks to a yellow top. If you wish, please make a donation directly via the Young Minds website. Donate here. This will be a full mufti day for the children to come to school in their own clothes.

Best wishes

*Lucy McNeil*



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