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NEWSLETTER Tuesday 4th June 2019

Dear Parents,

You may be wondering why I'm sending an email at the beginning of the week rather than on Friday ~ we have news, so read on to find out more...

PASTURES NEW AND SOME STAFFING NEWS

As the end of the school year looms, our thoughts turn to those people who will be departing from the school this year. The Year 6 children will be preparing for their Leaver's Assembly for a few weeks and I am looking forward to seeing their production on the last day of term

I also need to highlight that we also have a member of staff, Sharon Lord, who will be leaving us at the end of term.

Next, a bit of background for some of our newer parents. Sharon has been with us for 20 years and I calculate that she must have worked with at least 460 children during this time, as well as heading up the song machine, and our public performances. In that time, we have really valued the support that she has given the whole school community. Metaphorically, she has held her arms around us all and quietly cared for us. For me personally she has been a confidant, a support and a friend. Without her whacky inputs and caring nature, the school would have been a poorer place. The rich depth of our ethos has also been under-pinned by Sharon and her unique understanding of the school and all who sail in her! Her legacy will be what we have all learnt and will take forward with us.

The Mrs Lord 'magic dust' will not be entirely lost, as she will continue to work across the Link Academy Trust, leading SIAMS, RE and collective worship in all the church schools. She is also going to be part of the education team at Buckfast Abbey.

We already have some ideas of what we want to get her as a leaving gift up our sleeves & will be giving her a "proper Landscope send off" later this term!

CLASS 1 will continue to be taught by Mrs Field, and Mrs Woods will be moving to Class 1 to work alongside her. This is great as Mrs Woods has early years experience and the opportunity offers her a new challenge at the same time. Mrs Woods will be popping in and out of class 1 this half term, getting to know the new reception for September.

We are of course in the process of appointing a new teacher for class 3.

Talking of new recruits... Miss Laura Trist was in school today to meet classes 1 and 2 and begin to find out about life at Landscope. Laura, was appointed on the last day of half term and will be covering Amanda Berry's maternity leave from September. We also have a series of other dates set aside, during this half term, to ensure that a smooth hand-over



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is achieved. Some parents may recognise her as she has previously worked as a swimming teacher for Little Ducklings, alongside her job with Teignbridge Council as their communications and social media officer. I feel sure she will be a good 'fit' for the Landscope team!

BIKEABILITY

You may have noticed some bikes in the back playground this week. This is part of the Bikeability or Cycling Proficiency for the 21st century which is funded by the Department for Transport (DfT) in partnership with Devon County Council (DCC). The course is designed to give the next generation the skills and confidence to ride their bikes on today's roads. The children in year 6 have enjoyed the first two days! Keep an eye out for photos and news of their achievements later this week.

VALUES

We have just begun our fortnight with a focus on Humility, one of our visiting values. Please use the link to access the home/school activity page on this value.

http://www.landscope.thelink.academy/website/our_ethos/388266

FOLS ~ a message from Kate

Don't forget we are having a meeting on Thursday 3.30pm to 4.30pm to plan the Summer Fair. Children can go into After School Club. Please come along if you can. There will be a sign up sheet at the meeting for volunteers for the fair so please get your names down to help where you can. Ideas for some different stalls are always welcome! If you can't make the meeting but are able to help at the fair please email fols@outlook.com.

SAFEGUARDING AND ATTENDANCE

Staying Safe in the lovely sunshine:

Please help us by reminding your children to Wrap up in a T-shirt, Splat on the sun cream and wear a brimmed hat as the better weather gets a little better (fingers crossed!!).

Our designated safeguarding officer is Mrs Ryder and the deputy-safeguarding officer is Miss Barlow



Attendance to date: our target is 96.8%		Number of sessions missed per class: (session = a whole morning or afternoon)
Whole school	97.66%	30
Class 1	97.77%	5
Class 2	97.28%	10
Class 3	98.60%	4
Class 4	97.29%	11
Well done to Class Class 3		

COMING UP

4 th June	New reception home visits begin
5 th June	FOLS swim-a-thon Ashburton Tennis Club begins with Mr Tanner 3:40-4:40
6 th June	FOLS summer fair meeting 3:30 in class 4
11 th June	Cross country event @ Stover
14 th June	PE day in school ~ parents invited to attend and join in. More details to follow from Mrs Smart at the end of this week.

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18 th June	Play leaders training
17 th – 19 th June	Class 4 residential: Spirit of adventure, Shaugh Prior
21 st June	Mrs Collins music concert, 2:30 in the school hall
26 th June	Sports day (28 th June - option if bad weather on 26 th June)
1 st -5 th July	Swimming week
5 th July	New reception tea party FOLS Summer fair
10 th July	Class 3 Decoy adventure day
12 th July	Year 2 Children's book festival @ Buckfast Abbey
13 th July	Landscope Village fete
17 th July	Class 3 assembly~ parents invited 3pm, school hall
19 th July	Exmouth Beach whole school trip
23 rd July	10:00 Y6 Leavers assembly 1 pm Leavers service break up 2:00 for the summer

That's all the news for now.

Jill Ryder