



**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

Dear Parents,

**From the Headteacher**

Well, the sun has been shining for most of the time since the start of the summer term and it has been lovely to be see the children enjoying use of the field at playtimes and lunchtimes.

Many staff came up to school in the Easter holidays to tidy the forest school area (thank you to them) and children are enjoying using the site, and we will continue to develop this area in the future. Mrs Tolson has been busy tidying the garden area and we are looking forward to seeing the fruit of the hard work carried out by Mrs Tolson and the children she works with.



We are also very excited to take delivery of a lot of new books this week. We have paid into the library service and receive topic boxes of books as well as 200 books to keep and then swap over at a later date.

After an audit of our current books in the classrooms we decided that our class books are rather dated and a bit tired and needed updating. We are very lucky that Friends of School have also kindly donated £600 for the purchase of new books for each classroom, these should be in classrooms during May.

The children are going to really love the influx of a huge range of new books, it is very exciting!



*Karen Reeves*

☆ **"STARS OF THE WEEK"** ☆

- FSU                      Caterpillars - Denzel    Butterflies - Zoobie
- Class 1                Franky
- Class 2                Riley, Jack M, Jack R
- Class 3                Alfie

**From the Office**            Mrs Beer is producing the newsletter for a couple of weeks. Hopefully you won't find the 'new-look' too boring – apologies for the lack of pictures that would make it much more interesting!

*My office hours are currently 08:00 - 14:30 on Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri; 08:00-12:00 Tue.*

**Can you help FSU (Foundation Stage Unit)?**

*We are looking to develop our role play resources to create a home corner in FSU.* We currently have a cooker but are in need of play food, cutlery, small table and chairs, table cloth, telephone, etc. If you have any items that you no longer need/want they would be very gratefully received. Many thanks FSU Team

**Class 3 News** Just a reminder that all *Class 3 children need to come to school in their PE kit on Wednesdays.* They are doing 'Workout Wednesday' in PE time and Forest School in the afternoon. Thanks!

**Class 2 News** *Fridays – Class 2 come to school in PE kit (with boots and coats for outdoor learning)*

**Class 1 News** *Thursdays – Class 1 come to school in PE kit (with boots and coats for outdoor learning)*

**FSU News** *Mondays – FSU need their PE kits – please wear kit to school*

Parents of Caterpillars – sorry for the confusion about Parents Evening. The meeting in May is for parents of Caterpillars who will be starting Reception in September. Please make an appointment via the Parentmail form.

Parents of Younger Caterpillars – your Parents Evening will be after half term.

*From Mrs Beer – please pay fees for this term by the end of this week (see last week's newsletter)*

**Sport** *Our Year 3,4,5,6 have all taken part in our Monkleigh Virtual Cross-Country event. We have competed against 6 other Schools. The results are nearly in and over our long weekend the results will be collated and announced next week.*

*Please remember a change of shoes for PE every day. Thank You.*

**B&T Club** Thank you to those who have responded to the recent survey to determine demand for this provision. The results will now be looked at discussed by Governors prior to a decision being made regarding re-opening of "T" Club. We will let you know as soon as a decision is made.

### **For Your Diary**

<b>Mon 3 May</b>	<b>Bank Holiday</b>
<b>Tue 4 May</b>	Full Governing Body meeting
<b>Wed 5 May</b>	School photographer (Whole Class Vista style Photos)
<b>Mon 17 May</b>	FSU closed to CATERPILLARS (open to year Reception)
<b>Thu 20 May</b>	School Census – please can as many Yr R/1/2 children as possible have a school meal?
<b>Wed 26 May</b>	Life Education virtual sessions
<b>Thu 27 May</b>	Class 1 – Tennis (ARC Bideford) – TBC
<b>Fri 28 May</b>	Break up for Half Term

### **DINNERS**

The weekly menu can be found [here](#). A reminder that bookings need to be made 8 days in advance. Meals can be cancelled / amended within the set timescale. If you miss the deadline, you can phone the office before 2pm on a Friday and Mrs Beer will update the register for the following week.

### **COVID**

Do not send your child to school if they are displaying any symptoms of COVID (New persistent cough, or High Temperature, or Loss of smell/taste). You will need to get a COVID test.

Our most up to date COVID Risk Assessment / information can be found [here](#).