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School News

Welcome Back

Welcome back to everyone, including our new starters this term. We also welcome Laura Fletcher back into Year 1 and Karen Keeling-Munn into Year 4. I look forward to working with you this term and hope to see you at some of the events listed below.

Emma Twaddell
(Acting Head Teacher)

Ian Allison

I wanted to thank everyone for helping make Ian's last term at Forest Row C of E Primary School one to remember. He thoroughly loved all the events and activities and he was overwhelmed by the generosity of all the fabulous gifts and well wishes for his retirement.

Literacy

Does your child struggle with **reading or spelling**? Do you have an interest in **literacy**? If so, there is a 'Tips and Tricks for Reading and Spelling' session that you might like to attend, given by the East Sussex Language and Learning Support Service, on June 17th from 9.30 – 11am at Plumpton Primary School. Application forms available from the Office.

Free School Meals

County are simplifying the procedure for applying for these and we would like anyone who is now eligible to apply. You will need to collect a claim form from the office, and will need to be claiming one of; Income support, Jobseeker's Allowance (income based), Employment & Support Allowance (income related), Child Tax Credit (without Working Tax credit), pension credit – guarantee credit.

Cool Cats

The winners for the class with the highest attendance this week are Sycamore with 100% and Elm and Birch in the Infants, both with 98.8%. Well done!

Clubs

If your child would like to attend any of our clubs this summer term, please see the accompanying letter and return the slip as soon as possible as clubs begin on Tuesday 27th April.

Learning Platform

We hope that if your child uses the LP from home they find it useful as well as enjoyable and you have had the opportunity to see what they are doing. We as a staff are continually learning and trying to improve our technological skills! Just a reminder that we have an Internet Café on Mondays 3.15 - 4p.m. where your child, accompanied by a parent, can come and use the ICT suite.

Parent Questionnaire

Thanks for those of you who completed this (49% of families)

Most positive feedback:

The children understand what a healthy lifestyle is.
FRS helps your children become responsible and independent.
The school website, newsletters and Splash keep you well informed.
The quality of teaching is good.
The PTA has a positive impact on the life of the school.
FRS provides equal opportunities.

Areas that we plan to improve/develop further due to less favourable feedback:

School Lane being pedestrian only.
Knowing who the Governors are.
The range of after school clubs/activities.
Appropriate homework being provided..

Areas where you answered that you didn't know so much, and we plan to inform you about over the next term:

Provision for Special needs
Our relationship with a variety of groups in our community
Having high expectations of your children
Knowing the next steps in your child's learning
Preparing your child for the future

Thank you

Thank you to Justin Kendrick (father of Lily May and Maud) for creating and installing a fabulous story telling chair for the Infants covered area.

Summer Term Calendar of Events

DATE	TIME	CLASS	EVENT
April			
Wed 21 st	8.40am	Willow	Willow Class Swimming Lessons start
Wed 28 th		Orchestra	Woodwind lessons with Mrs Egan resume
Thurs 29 th	2.15–3.15pm	Choir	Choir practice starts
Fri 30 th	9.15am	Sycamore	Assembly
May			
Mon 3 rd		All	May Day Holiday
Fri 7 th	9.15am	Willow	Assembly
Mon 10 th		Year 6	SATS week for Year 6
Mon 17 th	All day	All	Childnet Activity Day
Mon 17 th	All week	Years 1,3,4,5	Assessment week
Thurs 20 th	7pm		Full Governors Meeting
Fri 21 st	9.15	Oak & Elm	Assembly
Fri 21 st	afternoon	Year 6	'999' event on the green

Sat 22 nd			PTA Grease Night
Thurs 27 th		All	PTA Disco
Thurs 27 th	3.15pm		End of Term for pupils
Fri 28 th			INSET Day
Mon 31 st	All week	All	Mid term Holidays
June			
Mon 7 th			Start of Term
Wed 9 th	8.40am	Hazel	Hazel Class Swimming Lessons start
Fri 11 th	9.15am	Chestnut	Assembly (tbc)
Tues 15 th	afternoon		Induction for September reception pupils
Wed 16 th	10.45am	Year 6	Worth Abbey Year 6 Leavers Service
Wed 16 th	afternoon		Induction for September reception pupils
Wed 16 th	evening	Choir	Rehearsal for Village Festival
Thurs 17 th	6pm	Choir	Village Festival Concert
Fri 18 th			INSET Day
Sat 19 th			Forest Row One Village
Wed 23 rd		Year 5	Sackville Taster Day
Thurs 24 th		All	Sports Day
Fri 25 th		All	Sports Day
Tues 29 th	afternoon		Induction for September reception pupils
Wed 30 th	afternoon		Induction for September reception pupils
Wed 30 th – Fri 2 nd July		Year 5	Residential Trip to Kingswood, Ashford
July			
Fri 2 nd	9.15am	Birch	Assembly (tbc)
Mon 5 th /Tues 6 th		Year 6	Chailey Induction days
Thurs 8 th	All day	Sycamore	Sackville school DT day
Fri 9 th		Year 6	Sackville Induction day
Sat 10 th		All	PTA Summer fete
Tues 13 th	4pm		Full Governors Meeting
Tues 13 th		Year 6	Dress rehearsal for production
Wed 14 th	3.45pm	Year 6	Performance
Thurs 15 th	7pm	Year 6	Performance
Thurs 15 th		Sycamore	Sackville school DT half day
Fri 16 th	9.15am	Choir	Performing in Assembly
Fri 16 th		All	Reports published
Mon 19 th	2.30 -4pm	All	Open afternoon
Tues 20 th	All day	Year 5 & 6	Days of Wonder
Wed 21 st	Half day	Year 5 & 6	Days of Wonder
Fri 23 rd	3.15pm		End of Term

Healthy Schools Award

This is in the process of being reaccredited. Parents who are interested in more details of how this happens or who would like to be involved should talk to Mrs Harris.

With the fantastic weather we have been having, just a reminder to apply sunscreen to your child or send them into school with some that they can apply themselves especially at playtimes and PE lessons. Hats and caps are also welcomed as well as bringing a bottle of water into school.

Sports Day detail

For your information:

Here are the provisional plans for our two Sports Days, in case any parents would like come and watch/help/join in or simply to join us for a picnic on the field on Friday lunch time:

Day 1: Thursday 24th June

a.m. and p.m. circuit of activities

Day 2: Friday 25th June

a.m. circuit of activities

lunch: picnic on the field for all children and their parents (there are no school lunches this day)

p.m. races on the track

Coloured t-shirts will be on sale at the beginning of June

PTA news

On Friday 7th May the PTA would like to invite you to a coffee morning at Sariah's house (51 Hartfield Rd) from just after school drop off until about 11ish. Come and meet some fellow parents, eat some cake and have a natter.

On Saturday 22nd May Grease is the word.....! A chance for us all to visit Rydell High and enjoy the sounds and tastes of the 50s at this Sock Hop. Grab your friends and put on your boogie shoes. Tickets (£10 to include a food feast) will be on sale in the playground from Monday 17th May. Look out for the posters in the playground for more details and your personal invitation in your child's bag.

The children's disco will be held on Thursday 27th May. May we encourage you to leave your children with the PTA and school staff and enjoy an hour to your self. Unfortunately, it is not possible for pre-schoolers to attend so if you really need to stay, please find alternative childcare for little ones.

The Summer Fete will be held on the school field on Saturday 10th July 11am - 3pm. We will be harking back to the England of old for a day of games and village traditions. Pop the date in your diary for a guaranteed lovely family day.

Look out for more details of the Adult Swish which will be held during the summer term (date TBC)

And finally, just so that it's already in your mind - the £1 challenge is on it's way!!!

Community news

A message from Holy Trinity Church:

"Please join us to celebrate the restarting of the Holy Trinity Church Clock at 11.45 for 12noon on Sunday 25th April. We would like to extend our thanks to the entire village so please tell everyone you know and invite them along - there may even be a splash of bubbly!"

One Village 2010

We aim to be involved with One Village 2010 during the week 12th -20th June. When we have more detail I will let you know.