



We share, care and learn together - September 2022

Dear Parents/carers,

Welcome back! A warm welcome to our new families.

You will have received the sad news of the passing of our school bursar, Mrs Denise Webster. She will be sorely missed.

Mrs Sue Pocock will be working in the office one day a week temporarily, whilst I advertise for a suitable person to complete the finance side of things and Mrs Nikki Limmer will remain in the office completing an admin' role 4 days a week this term.

I am looking for an extra Mid-Day Supervisor for Thursday and Friday lunchtimes 12-1.15pm. Favourable rates of pay. Please let me know if you are interested. Also there will be a possible vacancy for an After School Care assistant two afternoons - 3.20pm -5.30pm.

Please note key dates on the reverse-including a Meet the Teacher meeting and Parent Evening dates. These dates will be on our school website too, and are regularly updated. Details of Christmas events will be following in due course!

We are very conscious of the financial pressures all families, and schools, are facing. This will mean there will be less trips, and fundraising activities. For example, Birch class will have a trip in the autumn term but other classes will not and then another class will go out in the spring term and another in the summer. However, I do hope we can all still go to the panto in December.

If any families require help with the purchase of school uniform/PE kit or resources for homework, please let us know.

As you can see the roofing work is not yet complete and this has overrun by several weeks. The compound has been moved to the car park as the roofers will be returning at the beginning of October to re slate the Village Hall. This will mean a few less parking places. **Safety-** cars should not move off when parked near to the gate until all children have left school at the end of the day. Sometimes cars try to leave whilst little children are walking to their parents. **Please pass this message to grandparents as I have noted that this has happened when others have been collecting. Thank you.**

Best wishes,

Mrs Trudie Harkin

Key dates

6th Sept Forest School & Balance Bikes for Year R begins

w/c 12th Sept Clubs start

12th Sept 3pm and 5pm Meet The Teacher Meetings - parents are invited to meet their child's teacher

15th Sept Y6 trip to Thurston CC for team building morning

23rd Sept Birch Class Cross Country competition - TBC

26th Sept FOCSA Coffee morning and 6pm FOCSA AGM

1st October FOCSA Race Night Village Hall

3rd October Birch to West Stow TBC

7th October 9am Individual/family photos (children only)

13th Oct (2nd date 7/12) Flu Vaccinations for all children

17th Oct Year R 5 - 6.30pm Parent Evening

19th October 10.15am Harvest Festival at Church - parents welcome

w/c 24th October Half term

Monday 31st October PD Day

7/8th Nov Parent Evenings - Years 1-6

10th /11th Nov - Pop 22 Protecting Our Planet

23rd Nov - Birch to TCC Christmas Show

W/C 23rd Nov Scholastic Book Fair

13th Dec' Panto Trip

16th Dec' Last Day

3rd Jan PD day

4TH Jan New term