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'Growing thoughtful learners and independent thinkers'



NEWSLETTER 4: 01 November 2016

Welcome back to school - we hope you all had a good break. We are looking forward to another busy and exciting half term of learning!

Calling all interested Forest School Volunteers

Have you thought about volunteering but wondered if you'd like it? Not sure what Forest School is all about? Not sure if you have the skills? Why not come along and find out more?



On Tuesday 13th December between 8:45am and 10am, we are holding our 'Forest School Volunteer Taster Session'. This is an opportunity for you to pop along and have a go at some of the activities, ask questions and discuss how volunteering at Forest School might work for you.

If you would like to attend, please phone the office to book a place. You will need to dress warmly and appropriately for the weather (plenty of layers) and remember that it is likely to be very muddy so bring a change of footwear. We will go ahead in all weathers unless there are high winds or thunder!

We look forward to seeing you.



Week beginning 31st October:

Mon 31st: INSET Day – school closed Tue 1st: Year 5&6 visit to Life Exhibition 2.45pm Used uniform sale in Palm. Studio 6pm Year 1 and Star Gazing Club Bonfire Night

Thur 3rd: 2.40pm Year 6 Open Classrooms 6.30pm for 7.00pm start - FOSS Bingo

Week beginning 7th November:

Tue 8th: Individual Class Photos 3.15pm Parent/carer consultation meetings Wed 9th: 4pm Parent/carer consultation meetings

Please also see the previously published term dates for the academic year and key events on our website calendar, as well as separate letters for more information.



















Fantastic FOSS Fundraising!

Thank you to everyone who supported our first FOSS event of the year – the autumn discos, held on Friday 14th October. This event raised a brilliant £470, which is a great start to the new academic year and FOSS' fundraising endeavours. As you will have seen from recent communication the next event, bingo, takes place this coming Thursday 3rd November. Please contact the school office to book your place at this very popular and fun night out! We are pleased that monies raised by FOSS last year have now been spent on new resources and equipment to further enhance our outdoor learning provision across the school. Once these resources have arrived we will be sharing photographs of what has been purchased and the children using them, on our website. Thank you for your continued support.





Two important reminders:

At the beginning of all year group assemblies, performances and productions to families and friends of the school we always state that photos or video footage may be taken but that these images should not be uploaded to the internet or shared on social media sites. We kindly request that these guidelines are adhered to so that we do not have to review our policy. Thank you for your co-operation.

When dropping off and picking up at the start and end of the school day please ensure you and your child/ren keep to the path that leads to the main entrance and Key Stage 1 playground. Please do not walk through the staff car park as there are often delivery vehicles as well as cars in motion at these times and so it is not safe. Thank you.

Headteacher: Helen Morris

Are you having a pre-Christmas clear out?

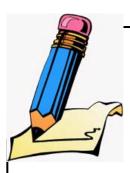
Thank you to parents/carers for your generous donations following the plea in our last newsletter for golden time resources. As explained, we are in need of replenishing some of our golden time resources and would welcome donations of board games, puzzles, and small world play or construction activities in good condition. All year groups would be very grateful - particularly Key Stage 2 (children aged 7 to 11). Please send any items into the school office and the School Pupil Council will sort and distribute resources across the classes. Thank you for your help and support.

Volunteer Reading Helpers

Our school has always placed great emphasis on the importance of reading and promoted a love of reading for pleasure and enjoyment. Reading continues to be a strength of the school and we want to continue to build on this in the future. We are currently looking to 'recruit' some more reading helpers to come in and hear children read on an individual basis, particularly in EYFS and Key Stage 1. If you would be willing and able to come in to school on a regular basis to hear readers, or someone else in your family would be i.e. a grandparent, please speak to your child's class teacher. All volunteers will require a DBS check. Thank you for your support.

School Meals - Parent Survey

National School Meals Week (31st October – 4th November) is here and that means it's the perfect time to get feedback from parents/carers on how Chartwells are doing with the provision of the children's school meals. It is a requirement of West Sussex County Council that Chartwells carry out annual surveys of the school meal service and the data they collect is used to further improve what they offer. Chartwells 'We're All Ears' parent survey will be running between Monday 31st October - Sunday 13th November 2016. Please find attached some relevant e-posters. Chartwells will send the survey link directly to parents/carers they have on their e-mail database. However, most of the EYFS and KS1 parents/carers are not registered with Chartwells and, as this is the largest part of their business here in West Sussex, they would be very grateful if we could let these parents/carers know about the survey. It can also be accessed via this link: www.loveschoolmeals.co.uk/nsmw Thank you for your help.



The 100-word challenge Week beginning: 3rd October



Breaking News

Some glitter was found on Friday at Summerlea School.

We don't know where the glitter came from.

Most people think a bird dropped it but we don't know.

But some people think it fell from another planet!

Written by Finley (Year 2, Cedar Class)

This fortnight's challenge was set and judged by Juniper Class!

The Mysterious Glitter

On Friday, members of Juniper class found a mysterious pot of glitter in the woodland area. It was found after members of the class heard whispers and went to investigate. Some children even claimed they saw small wings disappear behind a free...





Key Stage 2 winner

Magic glitter has been discovered!

And we've never seen it before and we're

Giving it out to everyone

I wish there was glitter that we could swim in

Could you imagine living in magic glitter?

Glitter is so shiny everybody loves it

Lots of glitter has been discovered

I can't believe that we have found it

Terrific we have found magic glitter

Thousands of bottles full of glitter have been found

Enjoy having magic glitter in your house

Rely on it to make your dreams come true.

Enjoy your magic glitter for ever and ever for everyone.

Written by Neda (Sycamore Class, Year 4)

Time to read and reflect

We hope you have enjoyed reading these pieces of writing. It would be lovely if you could spend some time sharing and discussing them with your child. Below are some suggestions of things you could think and talk about together.

Finley has written a news report – how do we know this?

Neda has written an acrostic poem – can you think of any alternative ways she could have started each line?



Mid Day Meals Supervisors (MDMS) Grade 2 £7.66 - £7.90 per hour 5 hours per week, 1 hour daily Monday-Friday Term Time Only

The successful candidates will be able to engage with children, support and care for them and ensure that their school experience is a positive, safe and happy one.

We encourage our MDMS to have a sense of belonging to an important team of staff. The MDMS are responsible for supervising the children, ensuring that they have a calm and positive lunchtime experience that is sociable and fun.

All MDMS are then expected to supervise and engage the children in play on the playground, once lunch has been eaten, and liaise with the staff about pupils' individual needs.

Summerlea School is an equal opportunities employer. We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and this post is subject to DBS and pre-employment checks. West Sussex County Council meets the requirements in respect of exempted questions under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974. Please note, because of the nature of this job, if you are successful in your application you will be subject to an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check. This will be done by means of applying for an "Enhanced Disclosure". Disclosures include details of cautions, reprimands or final warnings as well as convictions, spent or unspent.

Candidates invited to interview should be informed in writing that relevant criminal convictions and other associated information will be discussed at the interview in order to assess job-related risks. They should also be informed that this information would only be used to assess suitability for employment in so far as it is relevant to the job to which they have applied. Having a criminal conviction will not necessarily bar someone from employment, this will depend on the circumstances and background to the offence

Visits to our school are most welcome.

Please download and complete an application and safer recruitment form and email them to sbm@summerleaschool.co.uk or post to Summerlea CP School, Windsor Drive, Rustington, West Sussex, BN16 3SW. Enquiries 01903 856783

Individual Needs Mid Day Meals Supervisors (MDMS) Grade 3 £8.04 - £8.39 per hour TEMPORARY

5 hours per week, 1 hour daily Monday-Friday

Overall Purpose of the Job

• To meet the needs of an individual pupil, with SEND, in your care at lunchtimes under the direction of the Senior Leadership Team, Inclusion Team and Senior Midday Meals Supervisor.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Taking over supervision of a child with special educational needs at the agreed time.
- Supervising the child through transitions such as queueing, moving about the school and using cloakrooms, ensuring hygiene and appropriate behaviour at all times.
- Reinforcing the school's positive behaviour policy, Summerlea Seven Values and rules in accordance with individual behaviour plans.
- Maintaining clear communication with the Inclusion Team, class teacher and other staff who work directly with an individual child.
- Assisting with record keeping.
- Following the Child Protection Policy.
- Participating in any training courses that are relevant to this post as requested.

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HAVEYOUR SAY

31st October - 13th November 2016

COMPLETE OUR SURVEY

for your chance to win a share of a

£2,500 PRIZE FUND

GO TO WWW.LOVESCHOOLMEALS.CO.UK/NSMW





WE'RE ALL EARS

National School Meals Week is fast approaching and our experience shows that it's the perfect time to get feedback from parents on how we're doing with the provision of school meals.

Join in with our 'We're All Ears' parent survey which will be running between **Monday 31**st **October** – **Sunday 13**th **November 2016**, which coincides with National School Meals Week (31st October – 4th November). This year the questionnaire is going to be hosted online and can be accessed via the link below:

www.loveschoolmeals.co.uk/nsmw

For those that took part last year, it follows the same format to allow the reporting of year-on-year movements against each question. We will also be including some new questions to gain insight on eating at home.

What Happens Next?

We will be sending an e-shot with a direct link to the survey to our Love School Meals database of 45,000+parents on **Monday 31**st **October** (the start of National School Meals Week). It will be sent again as a reminder to those who did not open the first e-shot, this will be in the second week of the survey (**Thursday 10**th **November**).

We would really appreciate it if you could use the attached assets and upload to your schools website or include on any parent communication e.g. parent newsletters, between Friday 14th October and Friday 11th November.

In addition we will also:

- Send you the e-shot with the survey link so that your team can forward on to your parent databases
- Advertise the survey on our parent online payment portals with a direct link-through to the questionnaire where possible
- Utilise the Love School Meals social media accounts (Twitter & Facebook) to send the survey link directly to followers

We're also giving away the chance to win a share of £2,500. All completed online entries received by Sunday 13th November will be entered into a free prize draw. We are giving away:

- 1 x Family break up to value of £500 (UK)
- 2 x Family annual theme park passes
- 3 x £100 M&S vouchers
- 6 x £50 Love to Shop vouchers

When all feedback has been analysed, Chartwells will provide an overall report of the results and a regional report for each contract that receives 100+ responses. It's an opportunity for you to gain valuable insight into parents' views and opinions on our school meals provision, which will be used in the development of our initiatives going forward.

All you have to do is let us know that you're comfortable with all of the detail and support in sharing the survey link with parents and we'll do the rest!



