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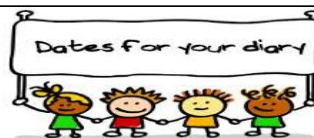


NEWSLETTER 8: 9 January 2017

**Wishing all of our families a very Happy New Year.
It was lovely to welcome you back and we look forward to another busy term!**

A Christmas Thank you!

At the end of last term it was both a privilege and pleasure to attend the different Christmas performances put on by each phase. It was wonderful that so many parents/carers and other family members were able to join these celebrations. All of the children did a brilliant job and the narrating, acting, dancing and singing was fabulous. At each performance, and also at our Carols by Candlelight service, we had a collection for Chestnut Tree House and Macmillan Cancer Support. An amazing £443.36 was raised for these charities, which are particularly close to our hearts as a school, and we can't thank you enough for your generosity. Proceeds will be divided equally between the two charities and I know they will be extremely grateful for your support. May we also take this opportunity to thank you for your kind Christmas wishes, cards and gifts which are all very much appreciated.



Week beginning 9th January:
NO CLUBS THIS WEEK



Week beginning 16th January:
CLUBS START THIS WEEK FOR YEAR 1 TO 6
Mon 16th: Year 3 Swimming starts
Thurs 19th: 7pm FOSS Meeting – all welcome

Please see the attached calendar for key dates and events this term spring term. Please also see our website calendar, as well as separate letters, for more information.

Club Update

Thank you for returning club letters at the end of last term. Your child will be notified which club/s they have got into early this week. Clubs begin next week and run up until Friday 24th March.



Governor update

Two of our Governors have recently left their roles. Kat Wright (Staff Governor) has made the difficult decision to leave due to family commitments. Emma Green (Chair of Governors) has also decided to stand down and says the following:

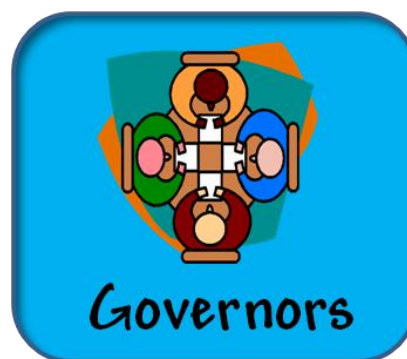
"It is with regret that I am having to notify you of my decision to stand down as Chair of Governors and also as a Co-opted Governor with immediate effect. Due to a significantly increased workload, health concerns and a need to focus more on my family now I have had to reduce the number of my other commitments. I have enjoyed nearly four years of being a governor at the school and shall be sad to step down but feel it is essential to focus on these other commitments. I am pleased to announce that Bev Crowter shall be Acting Chair of Governors for the remainder of this academic year and that Andy Millard is taking up the reigns as Vice Chair. I am sure you will all join me in congratulating them."

We would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to Kat and Emma for giving up a great deal of their own time to undertake this challenging, but rewarding, voluntary role.

We are very grateful to Bev Crowter (previously Vice Chair) and Andy Millard (previously Co-opted Governor) for standing as Chair and Vice Chair respectively and are also pleased to welcome Mrs Jolie Liu as new Staff Governor. Mrs Liu is a Mid-Day Meals Supervisor here at Summerlea and also has a child in Year 4.

The Governing Body is made up as follows:

Mrs Bev Crowter: Chair of Governors
Mr Andy Millard: Vice Chair of Governors
Mr Scott Bennett: Parent Governor
Miss Gemma Camble: Co-opted Governor
Miss Kim Horner: Parent Governor
Mrs Liz Henderson: Co-opted Governor
Mrs Trudy Jefferies: Co-opted Governor
Mrs Becca Jupp: Co-opted Governor
Mr Jeremy Littlejohn: Local Authority Governor
Mrs Susan Reid: Co-opted Governor
Mrs Jolie Liu: Staff Governor
Ms Nicola Moore: Clerk to Governors
Mrs Helen Morris: Headteacher
Mrs Karla Strong: Associate Member
Mr Simon Trahern: Associate Member



Our Governing Body holds an excellent range of skills and experience as well as having a genuine interest and passion for supporting our school on its journey of continuous improvement. For more information about our Governing Body please visit our website.

If you have a question, concern or suggestion please email governors@summerleaschool.co.uk

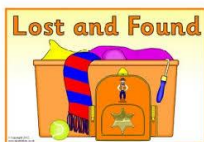


Staffing News

Firstly, congratulations to Mrs Ronchetti (Year 3 teacher) who gave birth to a beautiful baby girl, named Luna, shortly after going on maternity leave in November. Mrs Calderwood (PPA teacher) has been covering Mrs Ronchetti's maternity leave on a temporary basis and we are pleased to be welcoming Mrs Refoy from the 30th January who will then be taking over until the end of the academic year. Mrs Hawkins (Year 1 class teacher) will soon be going on maternity leave and we look forward to meeting the new arrival! Mrs Levantine (Year 4 teacher) is also expecting a baby and going on maternity leave in mid March. We have appointed Mrs Voice, to cover Mrs Hawkins' maternity leave and Mrs Lowe to cover Mrs Levantine's. Finally, Mrs Howard (Year 6 teacher) is also pregnant and will be going on maternity leave at the end of this term - we are currently advertising for a Year 6 teacher. I'm sure you will join me in wishing all of these teachers the very best and in welcoming the new teachers to our team. We are delighted that we have been able to attract and secure such strong candidates at a time when many schools are struggling to recruit staff.

We are also pleased that Mrs Tedbury (formally Miss Turner), Senior Leader, will be returning from maternity leave after February half term. Mrs Tedbury will be working three days per week and will be non-class based in the first instance supporting teaching and learning in Key Stage 2.

Miss Gunn (Year 3 teacher) has decided to relinquish her role as Lower Key Stage 2 Phase Leader to allow her to concentrate on her other areas of responsibility, which include being part of the English Team. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Miss Gunn for all she has done in this role during her first year at our school. Mrs Levantine will be interim Lower Key Stage 2 Phase Leader up until Mrs Tedbury's return.



Missing items

Three important items have gone missing from school last term as follows:

- Size 3 white football boots with an orange logo (these were brand new and did not come home after Pro Coaching Football Club before Christmas)
- One Size 2 black plimsoll from Jones (with pink hearts on)
- Red rucksack (this bag has no distinguishing features but has sentimental value)

If you should find any of these items please ensure they are returned to the school office so that they can be reunited with their owners. Thank you for your help.

Parking

Reported parking issues outside and around the school last term greatly reduced and we thank you for your co-operation in parking legally and safely.

This is a polite reminder that it is extremely dangerous to mount the pavement and park on double yellow lines.



Parking concerns can be reported via the operation crackdown website www.operationcrackdwon.org or to the police on 101.

Also, a reminder that our staff car park is for use by disabled badge holders only, or in other exceptional circumstances and previously agreed with the headteacher. Thank you.

Forest School News

Last term Year 6 and Year 5 experienced Forest School and this term it is the turn of Year 4 and Year 2!

We have recently held our first Forest School volunteer training session. Our aim is to build a bank of volunteers who can support us in our sessions on a Tuesday, whether it is once or twice a term or every week.

Cath and Bill joined us to discover what the Forest School ethos is all about and learn some new skills in fire lighting, using tools, whittling and knot tying! They were brilliant and celebrated by toasting a marshmallow!

Please visit our school website for some photographs of their morning in the woods at

<http://www.summerlea.w-sussex.sch.uk> > News and Events

If you are interested in finding out more about volunteering at Forest School, please contact Mrs Strong via the school office.

Wild Wood at Summerlea School is offering a holiday session on Wednesday 22nd February from 9 am - 3pm. A limited number of 10 spaces are available for a cost of £20 per child, to include snacks and lunch. Suitable clothing and footwear must be worn. To book please call the school office.



Curriculum Booklets

At the end of last week you should have received your child's year group curriculum booklet for the first half of this term. These booklets outline what your child will be learning, as well as other key information. Curriculum booklets are also available to view and download from our website.

Please visit <http://www.summerlea.w-sussex.sch.uk> > Our School > Curriculum and Assessment > Curriculum Booklets and then select the relevant half term.



Curriculum
Updates

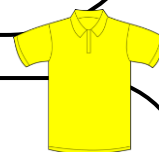


Uniform

As you will have seen from the letter that was sent home at the end of last term, the governing body have decided to have more than one supplier of logoed items of school uniform, in order to give parents/carers as much choice as possible to get the best value for money.

We are now just awaiting confirmation of a start date from our new supplier yourschooluniform.com who will operate concurrently with Uniforms Direct.

Thank you for your support and patience.



School Website

It is now a whole year since we launched our new school website. We hope you have all had a chance to visit it and have found the information useful. Please do remember to check our website regularly as we are continually updating content and adding new pages. Our website calendar is a feature we know lots of parents/carers find particularly helpful and we will always try to include key events and any changes to these on the home page for easy reference.

Coming soon... We are also in the final stages of setting up a school Twitter account. Our Twitter feed will keep you up to date with life and learning at our school and this will soon be accessible via the home page of our website, so watch this space!





The 100-word challenge
Week beginning: 28th November

Key Stage 1 winner

What am I?

I look like a smiley mouth.

I sound like squelchy mud when you eat me.

You'll find me hanging from big trees in hot countries.

I have a skin.

I can be dangerous if you tread on me.

I am soft and squishy on the inside but am touch on the outside.

ANSWER: Banana

Written by Holly Class (Year 1)

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

Riddles!

Some people fly right through me,
devour me in an hour
like a ravenous lion.
Others take their time,
chewing each little bit over
and over
in their minds.
I can hold anything—
facts, dreams, messages or lessons,
magical worlds of imagination,
or a single moment in time.

I take time to make and to use,
but I am never used up.
I am easy to share,
and I love to be shared.
When I am your favorite,
maybe your sons and daughters
will listen to me
at night before bed,
warm as a whisper,
and share me, one day,
with their children, too.

A book!



Key Stage 2 winner

Christmas riddles

I am made by children, played with all day but at night I am left.

I smell carrots and when I start to disappear into the ground I see someone in a sleigh.

ANSWER: Snowman

I have a nose that looks like a light bulb.

Dancer and Prancer call me names but one day Santa asked "Will you pull me sleigh tonight?"

ANSWER: Rudolph

I smell but I have no nose.

I hold things but I have no hands.

People bring presents to me then hide them under me.

What am I?

ANSWER: Christmas Tree

Written by Darcey (Year 5, Rowan Class)

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.

Holly Class has chosen to write a riddle about a familiar fruit. Can you think of clues for a fruit (or vegetable) of your choice? Remember to start with the hardest clue first!

Darcey has written three different seasonal riddles. Which do you think is the hardest and why?



Summerlea CP School

Calendar of School Events

TERM DATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2016-17:

Autumn term: Monday 5th September – Friday 16th December

INSET days: Monday 5th September and Monday 31st October

Half-term: Monday 24th October – Friday 28th October

Spring term: Tuesday 3rd January – Friday 7th April

INSET days: Tuesday 3rd January and Monday 27th February

Half-term: Monday 20th February – Friday 24th February

Summer term: Monday 24th April – Tuesday 25th July

Half-term: Tuesday 30th May – Friday 2nd June

INSET day: Monday 5th June

Spring Term 2017

The following dates and events are provided to give you an overview for this term. There are likely to be alterations and additions as we go along and we will notify you of these in the usual way, either by using ParentMail, by sending home a letter or via our website.

January 2017		
Tue	3	INSET Day – school closed
Wed	4	Year 5 Kick start outdoor learning day linked to Macbeth
		NO CLUBS THIS WEEK
Fri	6	Year 1 trip to pantomime
Mon	9	NO CLUBS THIS WEEK
Tue	10	Year 4 Forest School starts today
Mon	16	CLUBS BEGIN FOR YEARS 1 TO 6
		Year 3 swimming starts today
Thur	19	7pm FOSS meeting – all welcome
February 2017		
Fri	17	FOSS valentine themed non-uniform day – £1 donation
	27	INSET Day – school closed
	28	Year 2 Forest School starts today
March 2017		
Thur	2	World Book Day – dress up as your favourite book character
	2	3.15pm - 6.00pm Parent/Carer Consultation Meetings
Mon	6	2pm Year 5 Assembly to parents
Tue	7	3.15pm - 6.00pm Parent/Carer Consultation Meetings
Wed	8	4.00pm - 7.00pm Parent/Carer Consultation Meetings
Tue	14	2pm Year 3 Assembly to parents
Tue	21	World Poetry Day – bring in a favourite poem to share
		Y5 & 6 Time to Dance – more information to follow
Fri	24	Comic Relief – dress up day – more details to follow

		7pm Glee Concert – more details to follow
		CLUBS FINISH TODAY
Mon	27	Dragons' Den Maths Week – more details to follow
Fri	31	3pm Summerlea Market – more details to follow
April 2017		
Wed - Fri	5 - 7	Year 4 Residential to Marchants Hill
Thur	6	EYFS and Key Stage 1 Spring Assemblies: 9.00am-9.30am Year R 10.00am-10.30am Year 1 and 2
	7	Last day of term

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.

The successful candidate 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 all of our MDMS to have a sense of belonging to an important team of staff. 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

3rd January, 2017

	For Action	For Information	Meeting
To: Headteachers of all schools		✓	
Copies to: Chair of Governors, Business Manager/ Bursar (please ensure the above named colleagues receive a copy of this letter)		✓	

Dear Colleague

Closure of the 3in1 Scheme - Bus Travel Discounts for Young People in 2017

From January the 3in1 Card Scheme will no longer give discounts on buses. This does not mean that all school pupils (under 16's) and students (16-19's) will have to pay adult fares as bus operators are now offering their own discounts. The main offers are summarised below and more information is available direct from the relevant bus operators.

Pupils currently holding a 3in1 Card with an expiry date of January 2017 or later - and who paid the 3in1 application fee - will have received a letter in December. Parents are entitled to a partial refund as a result of the scheme ending. They will be asked to return a confirmation form and a cheque payment will be issued shortly thereafter.

Metrobus are introducing a new Student discount of 25% off adult fares when buying Metrovoyager tickets, Crawley Metroriders and Horsham Metrorider tickets. They have a Child discount of 50% off adult fares. For more information see: www.metrobus.co.uk/new-student-ticket/ or phone 01293 449191.

Stagecoach have introduced Termrider and Unirider tickets for school and college students. They have a Child discount of 33% off adult fares, and offer a weekly Student rate Megarider Gold. For more information see here: www.stagecoachbus.com/tickets or phone 0345 121 0190.

Compass Travel have introduced a new Student discount of 25% off adult fares. They have a Child discount of 50% off adult fares. For more information see: www.compass-travel.co.uk/tickets-and-passes/ or phone 01903 690025.

Sussex Coaches offer a Student discount of 25%. They have a Child discount of 50% off adult fares. For more information see here: www.sussex.coaches.co.uk or phone 01403 741976.

Emsworth & District have a Child discount of 50% off adult fares. For more information see www.emsworthanddistrict.co.uk or phone 01243 378337.

Yours sincerely

DAVID CROCKFORD

(Principal School Transport Officer)

Arun Children and Family Centres

Enabling Families

Supporting families to find Solutions in order to help themselves with everyday parenting/family situations.

Littlehampton Children & Family Centre
Clun Road, Wick, Littlehampton BN17 7DZ

The Villages Children & Family Centre
Main Road, Yapton BN18 0ET

Bognor Regis Nursery School & Children's Centre
85 Victoria Drive, Bognor Regis PO21 2TB

Dates 9.30 – 12.30	
Littlehampton C&FC	The Villages C & FC, Yapton
5 th , 11 th , 19 th , & 25 th January 2017	9 th and 23 rd January 2017 6 th February 2017
2 nd , 8 th , & 16 th February 2017	Bognor Regis Nursery School
	17 th and 31 st January 2017 14 th and 28 th February 2017

"I can usually find a solution myself or with a little direction I can"

"I need some guidance to help me solve the problem for myself"

Families please call 01903 276840 for further information and to book an appointment

