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Welcome back to the spring term everyone and a very Happy New Year to you all!

**INSET date this term:
 Monday 23rd February 2015**



Emma Green – Vice Chair and Parent Governor

Hi! My name is Emma Green and I've been a Parent Governor at Summerlea for almost 2 years now. I'm currently joint Vice Chair of Governors, sharing the role with Becca Jupp, and I am also Chair of the Teaching and Learning Committee. In my professional life, I'm a commercial lawyer and I work in-house for a global publishing company, Wiley (famous for the "For Dummies" books!) I bring over 10 years of legal experience to the Governing Body and also, I hope, drive, enthusiasm and dedication to supporting our school and its pupils, staff and the community. I have a son, Harry, who is in Year 2 and we live on the Littlehampton / Rustington border. I am also the current Secretary of FOSS and you'll often see me at FOSS events selling refreshments or encouraging parents to try their hand at the classic 'wine bottle game'! In the little spare time I have, I love singing and being a member of two choirs (the modern rock choir type!) I am also a bit partial to baking, and eating, cupcakes! I have thoroughly enjoyed the challenge of learning how to be a Governor over the past two years and I am looking forward to working hard for Summerlea in the coming year and continuing to engage with you all.



W/b: Monday 12th January
 No teacher led clubs this week

Mon 12th Jan: Year 3 swimming starts

W/b: Monday 19th January
 Teacher led clubs begin this week

Wed 21st Jan: Year 3 Trip
Wed 21st Jan: FOSS meeting 7.30pm

Please see published school term and holiday dates, as well as separate letters, for more details.

A polite reminder to all parents/carers to make sure that children are being dropped off and collected safely by car. A number of vehicles are pulling in on the zig zag lines putting pedestrians crossing and other road users in danger. Our Travel Plan Team are monitoring the traffic flow in the morning and are working hard to make sure that we maintain good relationships with our neighbours. Thank you for your support and understanding with this.



Unlocking of School Gates

We would like to reassure you that the unlocking time of the school gates at the end of the day is still 2.50pm. We apologise for any inconvenience or concern caused if you have been unable to enter the school site at this time. Could we please however, ask that parents refrain from waving to their child, when waiting on the playgrounds outside classrooms, prior to 3pm? As we are sure you can appreciate this can be distracting for both children and staff. Thank you for your understanding.



Welcome!

We would like to welcome Mary Turner to Year 5 and Lucy McMann to Early Years Foundation Stage as teaching students who will be with us for this term.

Special Educational Needs and Disability

A reminder that we are currently in the process of undertaking a review of our Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) policy to meet the new requirements for SEND in line with the new SEND Code of Practice, which came into effect on 1st September 2014. We are strongly committed to working in partnership with all of our key stakeholders, including parents/carers and children, in order to provide an improved and compliant policy. If you are interested in contributing to, and participating in, co-producing our policy please contact Mrs Helen Morris (named SEN Co-ordinator) or Mr Simon Trahern (Inclusion Leader). Thank you.



New website coming soon...

We are very excited to be able to tell you that we are in the process of developing a brand new, high quality website for our school, which will present information to parents and other stakeholders as well as serve as a learning platform for our children. The website will have a bespoke design, be an easy to navigate and interactive platform and will be updatable internally. This will mean we will be able to provide you with instant updates and should significantly improve communication between home and school. We are hoping it will be ready to go live before the end of the spring term so watch this space!



Executive Headteacher:

Brian Ball



Safety at School



An issue was brought to our attention from a concerned parent, at the end of last term, regarding pre-school children cycling and scooting down the ramp leading to Ash Class and the Palm Studio. As you should already be aware we have a policy for no cycling or scooting on the school premises. Toddlers have also been observed bouncing up and down on the wooden slatted sand pit covers outside the EYFS/Key Stage 1 classrooms. Drop off and pick up times are inevitably busy and the safety of our children and their families/friends is of paramount importance to us. Please ensure younger siblings remain close by you, before and at the end of the school day. Please do not allow them to engage in activities such as those described above, which could so easily result in a nasty accident. Thank you for your cooperation.



Read All About It!

In the All About Rustington magazine this month there is a brilliant article all about the inspiring owl visit Year 1 had last term. Having an owl fly straight towards you and skim over your head is a unique experience and one the children will never forget!



Headteacher:

Helen Morris