



Learning together for life

Newsletter 10

Thursday 10 March 2016

Dear parents and carers,

The Woodland Project



On Monday and Tuesday of this week, all of the children had the opportunity to plant a tree at the Scrivelsby Estate as part of Chris Wiles' Woodland Project. My thanks go to Chris and also to Kate Westcott for organising the whole event which we were delighted to be a part of. To see more pictures of the children planting trees, please visit the "Picture gallery" section of the school website.

World Book Day

Thank you to all of the children who entered the bookmark competition as part of our World Book Day celebrations. There were some wonderful entries and Kath Fairs, the owner of the Book Fayre in Woodhall Spa, who judged the competition said it was very hard to choose a winner for each class as they were all so good. However, four winners were selected. They were Evie in Maple Class, Alana in Chestnut Class, Grace in Willow Class and Lee in Oak Class. Congratulations to them and to everyone who took part. All entries will be on display in school for us all to admire and enjoy. To view some photos of the day itself, please go to the "Picture gallery" section of the school website.



Staffing update

Paige Plaskitt will be leaving the school at the end of term 4. We will all be very sorry to see her leave as she joined the school as an apprentice teaching assistant in Chestnut Class and we have seen her flourish into a confident and competent member of staff in our school. Miss Plaskitt has been successful in gaining a position as a full time teaching assistant in another school and we are all delighted that she has secured such a great new job. I'm sure you will join me in wishing Miss Plaskitt all the very best in the future.

I am delighted to welcome a new member of staff to the school. Miss Sam Patrick has joined the lunchtime team and has already begun in her new role as lunchtime supervisor. I would like to officially welcome Miss Patrick to the school.

Parents' evening

Parents' evenings (for children in Chestnut, Willow and Oak) will take place between 3.50-7.00pm on **Wednesday 20 April** and between 5-8pm on **Wednesday 27 April**. To book an appointment, you will need to use your ParentMail account. Bookings will open tomorrow and will close on Sunday 17 April. To book an appointment, please log into your ParentMail account on a computer, or by using the ParentMail app on your phone/tablet. Once logged in, click/tap on "Parents' evening" then on the evening date that is most convenient for you then select a suitable time from the list available. If you encounter any difficulties in booking your appointment online, please contact the school. Parents' evenings for children in Maple will continue to run after school on a fortnightly basis. If you have not yet made an appointment to see Mrs Scarbro this academic year, please do so by contacting the school office.

Music tuition

A place has become available for peripatetic flute or clarinet lessons delivered by Mrs Walsh from the Music Service starting after Easter. If your child is in key stage 2 and would be interested in learning a woodwind instrument, please contact Mrs Hibberd for details.

Big Ask

Today your child/ren will bring home a questionnaire called "Big Ask". I would be most grateful if you could take the time to consider the statements on it and indicate how far you agree with them. It will be very useful for the governors, the staff and for me as headteacher, to gather your views on the school. You will notice that at the end of the questionnaire, I also invite you to comment on any of your responses and to make any general comments. We will be asking the children to complete a similar questionnaire in school so that we can gain an understanding of their views too. The questionnaire will also be attached to the ParentMail email and will be available to download from the Newsletter section of the school website. Thank you, in advance, for your time.

Sport Relief wrist bands on sale now!

On Friday 18 March, we will be raising money for Sport Relief. The children have decided that they would like to dress up in a sporting outfit (for example, a full cricketing outfit or a taekwondo outfit). Please do not go out and buy a brand new sports outfit for the day. The children should come wearing something they already own and use. If your child does not own a specific sports kit, they may choose something else sport/fitness related to wear such as a tracksuit or their school PE kit.

The children will take part in a variety of sporting activities during the day (so will need their PE kits) and I would encourage you to send your child in with a donation (suggestion of £1) for the charity. Cool and trendy Sport Relief wristbands are now available to buy from the school office at a price of £1 with proceeds going to the charity.



After school provision

Thank you to all those of you who responded to my after school provision questionnaire. It looks from your responses as if there certainly is a demand for the service. As a result, I am delighted to let you know that we hope to advertise for staff to run the club with a view to launching the new provision on **Monday 2 May**. The proposal is for the club to run from the end of school until 5.30pm each day at a price of £6.50. However, there will be an option to just pay for your child or children to stay until 4.30pm at a price of £4.

In order to proceed with the employment of staff to run the after school club, I do need a firm commitment and payment in advance from enough parents who will use the provision straight away. If you intend to use the club from 1 May, I would be very grateful if you could complete and return the slip attached to this letter by **Friday 18 March**. Assuming enough parents commit, we will initially run the club until the end of the academic year at which point we will assess the viability of the provision and make a decision about whether it is feasible for it to continue next academic year. I am extremely keen for this to continue long term so please make use of the club so that the viability can be in no doubt! If you are interested in applying for the position to run the club, please visit the "Vacancies" section of the school website next week for details of the posts being advertised.

Yours sincerely,

Simon Morley
Headteacher



**KIRKBY ON BAIN CE PRIMARY SCHOOL
AFTER SCHOOL PROVISION – INITIAL BOOKING**

Please return, with payment, by **Friday 18 March**

Name of child/children _____

My child/ren (named above) will attend the new after school club on the following days:

Mon 2 May

3.30-4.30pm

or

3.30-5.30pm

(please delete as appropriate)

Tues 3 May

3.30-4.30pm

or

3.30-5.30pm

Wed 4 May

3.30-4.30pm

or

3.30-5.30pm

Thurs 5 May

3.30-4.30pm

or

3.30-5.30pm

Fri 6 May

3.30-4.30pm

or

3.30-5.30pm

Mon 9 May

3.30-4.30pm

or

3.30-5.30pm

(please delete as appropriate)

Tues 10 May

3.30-4.30pm

or

3.30-5.30pm

Wed 11 May

3.30-4.30pm

or

3.30-5.30pm

Thurs 12 May

3.30-4.30pm

or

3.30-5.30pm

Fri 13 May

3.30-4.30pm

or

3.30-5.30pm

**Prices: 3.30-4.30pm: £4
(price includes a light snack and drink)**

3.30-5.30pm: £6.50

I enclose _____ cash / cheque made payable to "Lincolnshire County Council".

Signed _____

Date _____