Landscove C of E Primary School

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Dear Parents,

What another lovely week! I hope the weather doesn't break for the start of the summer holidays; that would seem particularly unfair!

GETTING READY FOR NEXT YEAR & SCHOOL UNIFORM

Your child will bring home their reports on Monday together with any results from national tests (EYFS, Y2 & Y6 only). We are printing the reports this year as the SPTO website will be closing shortly and we wanted to ensure that everyone had a copy of their child's report.

In preparation for next year, the children will be spending Thursday morning next week in their new classes. Most of our year 6 children have been at KEVICCs, SDCC, or Churston preparing for their new start in September. Exciting times! Talking of September...After a fruitful discussion with parents in our School Ethos Committee (linked to parent feedback) and following a discussion with staff, it was generally felt that we should clarify our school uniform dress code. This seemed like a good time of year to consider how we'd like to start in September and smarten up a bit!

The wearing of school uniform is actively encouraged, fostering an identity with and pride in the school.

• School Logo Jumpers, sweatshirts, cardigans, fleece jackets and PE shirts are available from https://myclothing.com/landscove-church-of-england-primary-school/12863.school, but not all logo items are not essential.

Children are encouraged to wear:

- Navy sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece. (Bearing the school logo is useful for when we take trips as the logo helps to easily identify us.)
- Blue skirt or pinafore
- Blue/black trousers/shorts
- White or Blue Polo Top / shirt with collars not round neck
- White socks, navy tights or blue leggings worn under a skirt as tights
- Sensible and smart black or blue shoes. Trainers of this colour are also suitable, but a second pair must be available for sport/PE.
- Summer wear with blue check
- Sun hats should be worn in the Summer
- Joggers and hoodies are acceptable for PE only. (It should be noted that the current Y6 have been given permission to wear their navy & white leavers hoodies for their last 2 weeks in school)

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This list is not exhaustive but represents the main items, which can be found in most high street supermarkets. It's also worth noting that Justina (FOLS) has second hand uniform available. I am aware that this is not new information and is part of every new intake parent meeting, but we felt it was worth revisiting. We really do appreciate your support with this.

CHILDREN'S ETHOS COMMITTEE Spirituality Garden

Mrs Lord led a merry group from the Children's Ethos Committee in tackling some of the weeds in our soon to be Spirituality Garden. The plan is for this to be a quiet, reflective space, where children can enjoy being close to nature, taking time out of a busy day to be peaceful and thoughtful. The committee have had some lovely ideas for the development of this area and have canvased ideas from the rest of the school too. Keep an eye out as we begin to work on this space, we may be calling for some help in the way of donations or skills!

Coffee morning

Four members of the Children's Ethos Committee went along with Miss Kearle to the parish coffee morning held by Sue Townsend in Landscove. They did themselves proud and delighted the older members of our parish with their easy chatter, which apparently could have gone on for much longer than the allotted hour!



SPORTING ROUND UP SWIMMING

All of our children enjoyed a sunny and warm week of swimming at Ashburton's pool last week ~ logistically challenging, incredibly demanding on staff, but fun for the children! The efficient scheduling, small group sizes and enthusiastic children led to a successful week of skills development and confidence building. Great!



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CV SOCCER

Miss Kearle reports that the team played well, with great enthusiasm and coped with the competition. Thanks to the Year 5s for stepping up while many of our Year 6s were on their Y7 induction sessions.

CLASS 3 TRIP TO DECOY



Class 3 enjoyed an Adventure day at Decoy Country Park. The morning walk around the lake provided lots of opportunity to talk about rocks and fossils as well as the clay mining origins of the Bovey Basin. The afternoon kayaking activity thrilled us all - every child, however nervous, was paddling, jumping and swimming in the

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'I liked the walk around the forest because it was relaxing, educational and fun.' Alice 'My favourite part of the day was kayaking because I've never done it before and it was a big surprise.' Robin

'I was in a double kayak with my best friend Vivien and it was a fun/great experience I would like to do again and have the fantastic time I had today.' Saffron

FOLS ~ from Kate

A massive thank you to everyone who contributed in any way to the summer fair last week. It was a great afternoon supported by many which raised over £500 for FOLS funds. There were many people who helped out in many ways and I thank all of you. There are too many to name individually but you know who you are.

As the school year comes to an end I would like to remind everyone what a great FOLS year we have had. We have had a number of very successful fundraising events including film night, fashion show, Christmas Fair, Easter Treasure Hunt, breakfast pancakes, sponsored swim and the summer fair. In total this year we have raised in the region of £8000 from our fund raising events which is such a great achievement for a small school like Landscove. There are many much bigger primary schools who do not raise anywhere near that sum. In addition we have also been able to purchase the school minibus with the help of a grant of £10000 from The Big Lottery fund. All of that has only been possible with the support of a lot of people and this years the help and contributions from parents has been much greater than in previous years so thank you all. Keep supporting FOLS and have a great summer!



NEW FACES FOR SEPTEMBER

It's been a busy recruitment period!

We look forward to giving a warm Landscove welcome to new staff for September. Miss Laura Trist, from Bishopsteinton Primary, will be taking up the reins from Miss Berry in September whilst she is on maternity leave. We will also be welcoming Mrs Anna Neville who will join us to work alongside Anne Smart in class 3. Both ladies underwent a full recruitment process including teaching, lesson reflection,

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SAFEGUARDING & ATTENDANCE

Safeguarding Roles and Responsibilities in our School:

Mrs J Ryder, Head of School - Designated Safeguarding Lead 01803 762656 jill.ryder@thelink.academy

Miss Karen Barlow– Deputy Designated Lead 01803 762656 karen.barlow@thelink.academy

<u>Start of the school day</u>: The school playground is open from 8:45 and registration begins promptly at 9:00am. Please ensure your children are <u>on time</u>. It can be very disruptive to both children and staff when children regularly arrive late and miss registration and the beginning of lessons.

Attendance: 2019		Number of sessions missed
(Our school target is 96.8%)		per class: (session = a whole
		morning or afternoon)
Whole school	94.7 %	99
Class 1	100%	0
Class 2	94.44%	30
Class 3	88.57%	48
Class 4	96.38%	21
Well done class 1~ 100 % amazing!		

LANDSCOVE VILLAGE FETE 13th July 4pm

Do come and support the local village fete ~ stalls, tea tent, BBQ, music, children's games, tug of war ~all there to be enjoyed!

COMING UP: THE LAST PART OF OUR YEAR...

- 15th July Reports out today
- 17th July Class 3 assembly, school hall 3pm
- 19th July Exmouth Beach whole school trip
- 23rd July 10:00 Y6 Leavers assembly for children and Y6 parents,
- 23rd July 1pm St Matthew's Leavers part 2(for Mrs Lord sshhh!!! It's a secret! You are invited to join us for this service.)
- Break up 2:00 for the summer

Have a good weekend. Jill Ryder