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NEWSLETTER Friday 18th June 2021

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the final few weeks; they're looking busy so do keep an eye out for email reminders as we gather pace towards the end of term.

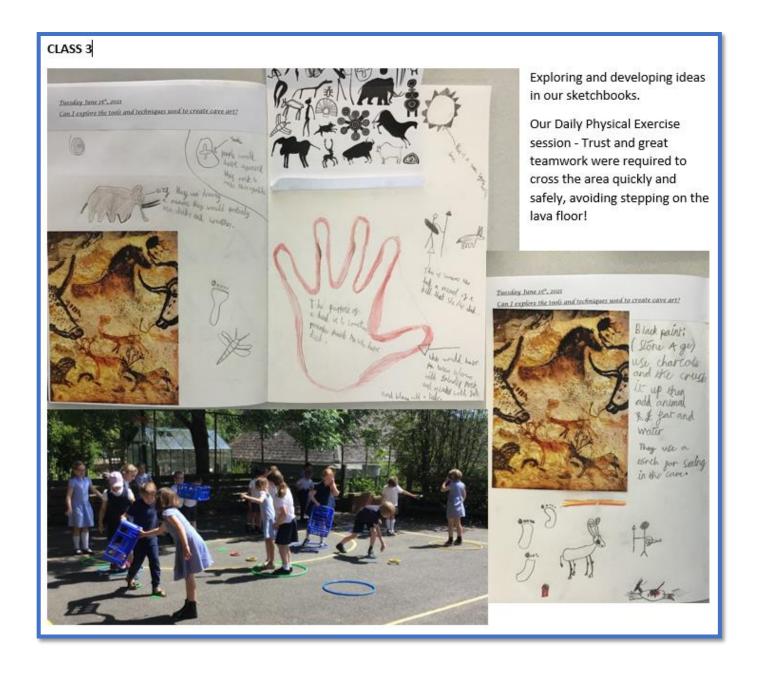
LANDSCOVE LEARNERS

We are going a bit 'wild' in Class One with our new Jungle topic! We have a new jungle healthy eating cafe and there has been some fabulous jungle small world play. We have lots of fun jungle learning planned for the coming weeks. Please can you save us kitchen rolls for when we make our jungle explorer binoculars.



In class 2, we have been exploring the artwork of Vincent Van Gogh. We have looked closely at his 'Sunflowers' piece to link in with our topic. Today, we used chalks to complete the painting - drawing on the other half, as if it was mirrored. The children used their sketching and observational skills so carefully to do this!





PASTURES NEW - SOME STAFFING NEWS

As the end of the school year looms, our thoughts turn to those people who will be departing from the school this year. The Year 6 children will be preparing for their Leaver's Assembly for a few weeks and I am looking forward to seeing their efforts on the last day of term – we will ensure we have something special, an outdoor leavers assembly where we will be able to have 30 spectators, all socially distanced of course!

I also need to highlight that we have a member of staff, Karen Barlow, who will be leaving us at the end of term. She's not going far! Karen is moving to Broadhempston to take up a senior teacher role and be part of the leadership team (A Head teacher of the future, no doubt!) alongside myself. Class 4 will be welcoming Miss Chloe McFadzean (affectionately known as Miss M at Broadhempston) as their teacher. She's a cracking teacher and is excited at the new opportunities coming to Landscove will bring. She has been visiting across the term and has a super understanding of how we work and getting to know the characters in class 4. She will be joining us when we have a transition day later this term, so the children will get to meet her properly.

Hello Landscove.

My name is Miss McFadzean (most know me as Miss M). I am extremely passionate about sports, outdoor learning, English and art. I studied English throughout university and I have recently started to create my own canvas paintings for family, friends and neighbours. My favourite hobbies are horse riding, netball and walks on the beach — although I do love (chilly) sea swims too! I can't wait to join the Landscove team in September and I feel honoured to be in Class 4 where we can spend the year making new discoveries and creating memories. I look forward to meeting you and getting to know all of your interests and passions too!



BIKEABILITY

You may have noticed some bikes coming into school this week week. This is part of the Bikeability or Cycling Proficiency for the 21st century which is funded by the Department for Transport (DfT) in partnership with Devon County Council (DCC). The course is designed to give the next generation the skills and confidence to ride their bikes on today's roads. The children in year 6 have had a great time whilst developing their skills~ everyone who took part achieved their level 2 badge, well done!



SAFEGUARDING AND ATTENDANCE



Staying Safe in the lovely sunshine.

Please help us by reminding your children to Wrap up in a T-shirt, Splat on the sun cream and wear a brimmed hat as the

better weather gets a little better (fingers crossed!!).

Our designated safeguarding officer is Mrs Ryder and the deputy-safeguarding officer is Miss Barlow

Attendance: our target is 97%	
Over the last two recorded weeks our attendance has	
been great! Thank you!	
Whole school	97.7%
Class 1	99.6%
Class 2	99.1%
Class 3	98%
Class 4	94.2%
Well done to	

LATE ARRIVALS

Could we please ask, now we are back into the swing of things, that children arrive at school on time, this means we can register promptly and be ready for learning. Thank you.



FOLS ~ a message from Justina Sponsored Swim:

We have arranged a sponsored swimming event open to Class 3 and 4 children to take place at Ashburton pool on 13^{th} July from 17.30 - 18.30.

Please email <u>fols@outlook.com</u>. if your children would like to take part. We need to have at least 10 children participating to ensure the event can take place.

Sponsorship forms will be available in school from Monday.

Sadly, due to COVID restrictions and the necessity to socially distance groups of 30 outside, we will be unable to run the Summer Fair this year.

ETHOS & VALUES

Reverend Tom

Some of you may already know that Reverend Tom has recently left the Parish and is moving on to pastures new. In their special goodbye messages, the children thanked Tom for his memorable Collective Worship and church services. As a staff, we will really miss his guidance, kindness and wonderful sense of humour.

The curate, Reverend Laura, is assuming Tom's responsibilities. She sits on our Ethos Group and already has a great insight to how we work.



Love from Class 1 and their Pentecost Crowns

Thank you, Reverend Tom.

Collective Worship and Values

The Collective Worship timetable has been full and varied over the past two weeks. Children are enjoying Chris Grimshaw's weekly recordings, have explored the value of humility, viewed photographs of Trooping the Colour and been introduced to their new PSHE unit – Changing Me.

Our Spiritual Garden

Some exciting developments have taken place in recent weeks. Parent volunteers have been incredibly busy clearing, weeding and painting the back of class three's wall. A huge thank you for giving up your time to help us with this amazing project.

On 13th July, Will Watson from Caddaford Farm will be coming in to develop a bug area with the Ethos Group. We require three wooden pallets, pieces of broken clay and any other materials which will create diverse habitats, to build a hotel. Please let me know if you can provide any of these. *Mrs Neville*.





Finally, I would like to say that I have really appreciated the support and understanding the whole school community has shown when questioning us about the roadmap to the proper re-opening of school. The year has been another challenging one and we have all had to make compromises. This is definitely not school as we know it, but hopefully if we all continue to take care and social distance effectively it might not be too long before Landscove will be something like normal again.

That's all the news for now. Have a lovely weekend.

Jill Ryder.