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NEWSLETTER Tuesday 22nd July 2025

I am sure you are all looking forward to putting the school uniforms away and getting out your children's summer clothes, ready for some time to slow down and relax.

It has been another very successful year. I am so very pleased and proud of all our pupils and staff for their hard work and kindness and their consideration towards learning and to the family ethos and relationships, we hold dear here.

Some circus skills end of year fun ...



UNIFORM & PE kit ready for September

Talking of next year... we felt it would be a good idea to ensure everyone had time to consider uniform and what would be needed for the start of term.

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 MyClothing.com

Children should 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/grey skirt or pinafore
- Blue/grey 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.

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 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 keeping our children smart.

SAFEGUARDING & ATTENDANCE

Attendance:	
(Our school target is 96.8%)	
Whole school	96.1%
Class 1	95.5%
Class 2	97.4%
Class 3	96.7%
Class 4	94.8%
Well done to Class 2!	

Whether it's sunny days at the beach or fun in the paddling pool, children are naturally drawn to water. But with excitement comes risk. This guide brings together 10 clear, practical tips to help parents and educators protect children around water – whether that's at home, on school trips or on holiday. Backed by the Royal Life Saving Society UK, the advice includes knowing what beach flags mean, avoiding inflatables in open water, and learning to 'float and call' in an emergency. With a focus on prevention and supervision,

this guide is a must-read for summer safety and beyond.

If you are concerned about a child's wellbeing, please contact the school or in non-school hours contact FrontDoor on 0345 155 1071. Our designated safeguarding officer is Mrs. Ryder and the deputy safeguarding officer is Mr. Ansermoz



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DATES FOR AUTUMN:

Non-Pupil Days on 2nd & 3rd September

Children back to school Thursday 4th September

Parent meetings September 2025

We know that parents are key educators in their child's life and we also see the link between parents and teachers working closely together, impacting on positive outcomes in all areas for your children.

With this in mind, each class has a meeting in September for you to come and meet your child's teacher, find out about the expectations for the year, and get to know more about the curriculum on offer here at Landscove.



We would like to give parents as much notice as possible with the aim that every child has a parent at these meetings where possible. Please see below for the dates and times of these meetings.

Monday 8th September 3pm Class 2 parent meeting

- Tuesday 9th September: 3pm Class 3 parent meeting
- Wednesday 10th September 12.30 Class 1 parent meeting
- Thursday 11th September: 3pm Class 4 parent meeting

PowerPoints will be available on class pages on our website for any parents unable to make these meetings.

WRAP AROUND CARE & CLUBS - what's on and when

Please book school dinners before returning in September everything is on parent pay and ready for you to begin.

- Breakfast Club will be running Monday-Friday 7:45-8:45
- Afterschool Club will be running Monday- Thursday, 3.30-5.30
- All bookings as normal on Parent Pay.

Other clubs:

- Monday 3.30-4.30 Mr Tanner's club TBC
- Tuesday 3:30-4:30 **Spanish** with Patti Rojas
- Wednesday: 3:30-5:00 Theatretrain Club following booking details below
- Thursday: 3.30-4.30 Saints South West Football club. Parents/Guardians need to simply follow the link in the attachment with this newsletter.



Recorder lessons are offered in school to give children a range of musical skills that will give them a foundation for lifelong musical enjoyment. These include reading music, understanding note values and rhythm, developing listening skills, and singing to pitch, as well as finger coordination and dexterity.

I teach to the standard of the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music (ABRSM) examining board, which opens up the option to gain the ABRSM grades 1-8. These grades carry UCAS points, which are helpful for securing university places after secondary school. I also teach flute to children who have already begun to read music. If you would like your son or daughter to take up recorder lessons (minimum age 6), or flute lessons, please contact me to discuss:-

Hesther Somerville ALCM, CTABRSM Flute & Recorders Tel: 01803-762 7030777-950 0905 Email:

info@hesthersomerville.co.uk





Dear Parents / Carers

We are delighted to inform you that from Wednesday 10th September, we are going to be running a Theatretrain class at your school.

Theatretrain Torbay has been established since September 2023, and the company itself has enjoyed over 30 years of professional theatre coaching in the UK. We run classes in acting, singing and dance, teaching performance and life skills to children and young people aged 4 to 18.

The Landscove Theatretrain class will take place every Wednesday from 3.30 – 5.00pm.

I will be teaching 30 mins each of acting, singing and dance to all year groups (maximum of 30 places) and it promises to be great fun!

The cost of each session is £15 per child, with siblings at £7.50, paid termly or monthly.

Your first two sessions are half price and serve as tasters before you commit to the term!

I have had 15 years' experience as a primary teacher / assistant headteacher and am fully qualified in safeguarding and paediatric First Aid; I also have an enhanced DBS check.

To book a class, just visit www.theatretrain.co.uk/torbay and go to 'Book a Taster'. You will see TT Express Landscove Primary School there.

I can't wait to start and will be delighted to meet your children! Please do feel free to contact me on the email / phone number if there is anything you would like to ask.

Kind regards

Julia Dodd

Company Director, Theatretrain Torbay 07752 726028



torbay@theatretrain.co.uk



FOLS

As the school year comes to an end, I would like to remind everyone what a

great job FOLS do. We have had a number of very successful fundraising events as well as some fabulous community events. All of that has only been possible with the support of a small group of people so thank you all, but especially to Michelle, who never tires of supporting us in any way she can! You're a star!

A message from Michelle:

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 Movie Nights/ Silent Disco, mufti days, the Santa Run, ice lolly sales, Bags2school, Asda cash pots for schools, Christmas cards, Christmas Fair, Tea Towel sales, Easter Treasure Hunt, the Colour Run and the Summer Fair.

In total this year we have raised in the region of £5500 from our fund-raising activities, £200 from Bovey Gift Charity and around £2000 from the 100 club. However we have given back to the school £6230, I think this shows how important it is to please keep supporting FOLS.

Big thank you to team FOLS – Lisa, Hayley,

Katherine and Danielle, I couldn't do it without you all. Also, special mention to Becky Drew and Rebecca Sear for their help with various events.

Please make sure you have the FOLS AGM date in your diary and come along if you can. It is on 22nd September at 3.30pm and children can use the After School Club. We will be electing a new committee. If you would like to be part of the committee, please let me know as soon as possible via fols@outlook.com Monday 22nd September – FOLS AGM 3:30pm at school, children can go into after school club free of charge.

I want to express my deepest appreciation for the opportunity to serve as a member of FOLS for the last four years. Being part of this lovely school community has been an incredibly rewarding experience. I am grateful for the relationships I have built and the positive impact we have made in supporting the education and welfare of our children.

We really hope you have a great summer break.

Many thanks, Michelle

Gabi Mills BSc, Hons, PG Dip, EYT, Mont, Dip gabriellemills@hotmail.co.uk

Piano lessons with Gabi

Learning to play music should be fun and so we will use games and challenges to focus fingers and ears. Your child will learn how to read music as well as developing their knowledge about different types of piano music and the technique of playing the piano, I encourage children to compose and create their own music too, because music is a language for everyone.

- Available for children in Year 1 and above.
- One-to-one 20-30 minute sessions cost £15 per lesson,
- Invoiced half-termly.
- Beginners to more advanced.

Requirements at home; a keyboard or piano, and encouragement to practice.



- builds concentration improves finger and wrist muscles helps hand-eye coordination aids ability to express emotions requires careful listening
- encourages creativity
 activates multiple brain areas
 boosts spatial reasoning and maths skills
 provides chance to progress and creates self-esteem
 offers the chance to play in groups which supports social skills,



I am a Montessori and Early Years qualified teacher, and I have taught early years and primary children for over II years, I am first aid trained and I have an enhanced DBS. Music is my first love and I have been playing the piano since I was 5 years old, I also play the violin and the recorder in local music groups, and I compose music too, I am excited to bring piano lessons to your school and look forward to meeting you,

To book please email: gabriellemills@hotmail.co.uk



AND FINALLY... Our Leaver's assembly this morning was, as ever, a moving time to reflect on the finale of the Landscove journey for Y6. Although the children are always a little sad, I know that they are ready for the excitement and challenges that lie ahead ~ Good luck to each and every one of them!

Year 6... May the sun shine on all your tomorrows.

May the road rise up to meet you.

May the wind be always at your back.

May the sun shine warm upon your face.

The rains fall soft upon your fields,

And until we meet again,

May God hold you in the palm of His hand.



Mrs Rx

Whilst it is onwards and upwards for the Class of 2025, so it is also with our school. We never stand still, and we are always looking at how we can improve and 2025-26 will be no different.

Before I sign off, I would like to offer a BIG THANK YOU on behalf of all the staff for your generosity and thoughtful comments~ we really do appreciate it! Alongside our vision and values, the dedication, care and commitment of the Landscove staff is something that we take great pride in ~ we really do have a special little school!

I hope that you all have a good summer break - and that the weather does the honourable thing and lets the sun shine. September will soon be here, and I truly look forward to starting up another brilliant year full of new mini adventures in the autumn.

Best wishes to you all.





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