

NEWSLETTER Friday 5th September 2025

Welcome back!

I hope that your children have all enjoyed their first few days at school and are settling in happily. The staff and I are all fully rested after the summer break and look forward to doing the best that we can to help every single child to be the best that they can be during the next year. I'm sure that we will have lots of delightful adventures along the way as the year progresses!



The new school year always brings new faces into school, and it is always a pleasure to greet the children coming to school for their first "proper" day.

A big Landscape welcome to our 16 new starters!

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

Please book school dinners before next week – everything is on ParentPay 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:

- Tuesday 3.30-4.30 **Song Machine** School Choir for Classes 3&4
- Tuesday 3.30-4.30 **Spanish Club** with Kidslingo's Caroline Patel
- Wednesday: 3.30-5.00 **Theatretrain Club**
- Thursday: 3.30-4.30 **Saints Southwest Football club.**



Peripatetic Music lessons:

- **Guitar** with Simon Scott
- **Recorder/Flute:** 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
- **Piano** – with Gabi Mills. To book please email gabriellemills@hotmail.co.uk



SAFEGUARDING & ATTENDANCE

With over 60% of children and young people regularly feeling overwhelmed, it's never been more important to support them in managing stress as they head back to school. This week's #WakeUpWednesday guide highlights 10 top tips – from spotting early signs to encouraging healthy sleep patterns – that can make a meaningful difference ❤️

Every School Day Counts

Every school day a child is absent from school equates to a day of lost learning. Attendance percentages can be misleading. If we took a maths test 90% would be great; but do you know what it really means when looking at attendance?

We know that attendance monitoring causes concern but we are required to monitor and report all attendance data each week.

This remains a priority for our school~ I really would appreciate your support in meeting the attendance targets set for us!



% attendance	Days lost in a year	By the end of primary school (Y1-Y6) this could mean...
95% attendance	9 days of absence 1 week and 4 days of learning missed Up to 45 lessons	10 weeks and 4 days of learning lost Up to 270 lessons
90% attendance	19 days of absence 3 weeks and 4 days of learning missed Up to 95 lessons	22 weeks and 4 days of learning lost(almost 2 terms) Up to 570 lessons lost
85% attendance	28 days of absence 5 weeks and 3 days of learning missed(½ a term) Up to 140 lessons	33 weeks and 3 days of learning lost (almost a full year) Up to 840 lessons lost

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



FOLS A message from Michelle:

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 whilst parents attend the meeting.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Parent meetings NEXT WEEK

We know that parents are key educators in their child's life and we 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 Landscope.



We would love for every child to have a parent present at these meetings where possible. Please see below for the dates and times:

- **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/newsletters will be available on class pages on our website for any parents unable to attend these meetings.

SCHOOL WEBSITE

Do take a look on our school website, the staff have been busy updating it. The latest information on topic webs for this term can be found in individual Class folders under the Children tab. Within the School Values Folder you will find activities linked to our school values for you to enjoy sharing at home.

If you are unable to make the parent class meetings next week, please look at your child's class page on our school website where PowerPoints will be available and give you all the most up to date information.

PE, TRAINERS & KIT IN GENERAL

The correct kit varies according to age but certainly includes shorts, T-shirts and trainers supplemented by jogging bottoms and warmer tops for when the weather gets cooler (**all named please!**).

- Class 1- Monday & daily movement /wake and shake etc
- Class 2 - Monday & Thursday
- Class 3 - Monday & Friday
- Class 4 - Monday & Friday

COMING UP- DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

8th Sept	Class 3 Riverford visit
9th Sept	Class 4 Riverford visit
17th Sept	KS2 Cross Country event @ Stover
22nd Sept	Class 2 visit to Sparkwell Orchard – apple harvest
1st Oct	School photographer – individuals and siblings
9th Oct	Class 2 Forest School day @ Broadhempston community woods
16th Oct	Class 3 Forest School day @ Broadhempston community woods
17th Oct	Harvest festival 9:15-9:45 @ St Matthew's. Parents invited. Donations of non-perishable goods for Buckfastleigh foodbank gratefully received.
20th Oct	Arts week begins
24th Oct	Break up for half term



Advance notice!

4th & 5th November	Parent consultation evenings – Bookings will be available later this half term
6th Nov	Class 4 Forest School day @ Broadhempston community woods
9th Dec	EYFS/KS1(classes 1&2) Nativity @ St Matthew's 2pm
10th Dec	KS2 Christmas Concert for Class 3 families@ St Matthew's 2pm
11th Dec	KS2 Christmas Concert for Class 4 families@ St Matthew's 2pm
19th Dec	End of term carols in church – bring your singing voices and join us at 2:45pm for a good old sing song!

I think that's it! In the meantime, if you have any questions about anything to do with the school or your child please come in and talk to us or get in touch by phone or email. Our door is always open. Have a good weekend.

Jill Ryder.