

## NEWSLETTER Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023

Dear Parents,

I hope you had a good half term. I am sure that the next few weeks will fly by ~ it'll be Easter before we know it! We have a fairly busy time ahead, so please check the dates at the end of this letter.

### LANDSCOPE LEARNERS



Class One really enjoyed their first Martial Arts session last week - what a fantastic experience, and from the look on their faces, so much fun!



In their FaB lessons this half term, **Class 2** are exploring the question - Why does Easter matter to Christians? We got arty in this week's lesson and considered how the Easter story is both sad and happy. We used oil pastels to portray this by smudging our 'happy' and 'sad' colours around a cross. The children then considered which parts of the story are sad/happy and drew/wrote their ideas inside the cross.





Class three thoroughly enjoyed their first martial arts session! They were also excited to experiment with different materials and to compare and group them into solids or liquids. In music this week, the children have been learning about body percussion and creating their own rhythms.



What a cracking assembly **class 4!** We were treated to information about Street dance ~ Street dance is a term that covers lots of different social dance styles and the eclectic nature of the style has given way to new vocabulary such as popping, locking, krumping (rapid exaggerated movements) and waving. Once we had all ben enlightened to this new terminology Class 4 then performed their very own dance with some serious attitude! I think I can safely say I speak for the audience when I say we loved it





## PARENT VIEW QUESTIONNAIRE

If you haven't already done so, could you please take a look at Parent View which gives you the chance to tell us what you think about our school. Parent View asks for your opinion on aspects of our school, from the quality of teaching, to dealing with poor behaviour.

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

We value your responses as we need your thoughts to help us conduct our school reviews and improvement plans with thoroughness. Thank you!

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

I wonder if we have any parents who would like to run an after school club? In the past some parents have run an art club, a sewing club and a gardening club. We would welcome anyone who might be able to offer their time and skills in this way – do get in touch and let us know. Thank you.

Martial arts has been an absolute hit in school – please see below for details of Richard, the teacher who visits us, and enthuses so many children.

The graphic features the 'MF' logo in red and blue, with 'MATT FIDDES' in blue and 'MARTIAL ARTS' in red. Below this, the text 'FOCUS ANTI-BULLYING CONFIDENCE RESPECT GREAT FUN' is displayed in blue and red. To the right is a circular illustration of five diverse children in martial arts uniforms. A red banner at the bottom left says 'CLASSES FOR ALL AGES AND ABILITIES'. A circular badge on the left says 'FREE CLASS AVAILABLE'. The bottom center text reads 'BOOK YOUR FREE CLASS BY SCANNING THE QR CODE OR BY VISITING WWW.MATTFIDDES.COM'. A QR code is on the right, and a small icon of a smartphone is in the bottom right corner.

## SCHOOL UNIFORM & PE KIT

The wearing of school uniform helps us in 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-englandprimary-school/12863.school>,

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 skirt or pinafore
- Blue/black trousers/shorts/leggings
- 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.

## PE DAYS

- Please ensure children wear school PE uniform which includes

- Navy Joggers
- Navy Leggings
- Navy Shorts
- School PE t-shirt -plain Navy or white or T-shirt with school logo
- School sweatshirt
- Trainers

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.**

Can we also ask that long hair is tied back and jewellery is not worn to school. If ears are pierced, please ensure small stud earrings are worn.

As the weather is unpredictable can we have coats in every day. Thank you!

### DANCE CLUB – KEVICCs

At KEVICC we pride ourselves on delivering a strong Dance Show called SPRUNG which this year will be held on Tuesday 25th April 7pm in The Ariel Theatre.

If you have any dance enthusiasts that may want to join our Creative Dance Classes on Saturday to get involved in a dance performance for SPRUNG, please ask them to get in touch.

9.30-10.20am ages 5-7, 10.30-11.20am ages 7-10, 11.30-12.20pm ages 10 plus

Cost £40 for this half term plus dress rehearsal and Performance in SPRUNG.

Contact Sarah McNally [Sarah.mcinnally@kingedwardvi.org.uk](mailto:Sarah.mcinnally@kingedwardvi.org.uk)



### SNACKS FOR BREAKTIME

All children in EYFS & Key Stage 1 receive free fruit daily.

Please ensure KS2 children bring fruit or vegetable snacks for their breaktime.

Only fruit and vegetable snacks are to be eaten at playtime (no crisps, chocolate or nuts).

### ETHOS & VALUES



**Shrove Tuesday** – huge thanks to FOLS for the yummy start to the day. The children thoroughly

enjoyed their pancakes and then later learnt a little of how the tradition of eating pancakes came about. Shrove Tuesday (also known as Pancake Day) is a Christian celebration that takes place on the day before Ash Wednesday, with many Christians seeing the day as an opportunity for self-reflection before the start of Lent. As Shrove Tuesday is the last day before Lent, it is often viewed as an opportunity for Christians to indulge in foods that they may choose to give up as their Lenten sacrifice.

Our prayer space has been leading us into and will lead us through the period of lent. The children can reflect quietly and use the coloured ribbons to help form their own prayers, tying these to the tree as a reminder of their words.

### FOLS ~ a message from Michelle

Thank you to everyone who supported the pancake sale – no profit made, just lots of happy faces and sticky fingers, which makes it all worthwhile.

10<sup>th</sup> March: Movie Night and mufti day - Sing 2 is the new movie as voted for by you. If you would like to book a place and haven't already done so please email [fols@outlook.com](mailto:fols@outlook.com) £6 including mufti, hot dog, drink and popcorn.

24<sup>th</sup> March: Krispy Kreme donut sale – details on how to order coming soon.

Thank you all for your continued support,  
Michelle



### SAFEGUARDING & ATTENDANCE

Attendance: (Our school target is 97%)	
Whole school	94.07%
Class 1	99.26%
Class 2	94.05%
Class 3	95.73%
Class 4	87.72%
Well done to Class 1!	

If you are concerned about a child's wellbeing, please contact the school or in non-school hours contact MASH on 0345 155 1071.

Our designated safeguarding officer is Mrs. Ryder and the deputy safeguarding officer is Mr. Ansermoz

### WORD OF THE FORTNIGHT (Mrs Ryder chose last week's word~ polymath)

Our word this fortnight is: **Gabfest** A 'Gabfest' is a casual conversation that's usually about fun or entertaining things.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

3 <sup>rd</sup> March	World book day
15 <sup>th</sup> March	Class 2 Class assembly 3pm school hall. Parents invited to attend.
17 <sup>th</sup> March	Mothering Friday 9:15 at St Matthew's
21 <sup>st</sup> March	Class 3 Class assembly 3pm school hall. Parents invited to attend.
22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Class 1 Class assembly 3pm school hall. Parents invited to attend.

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

*Jill Ryder.*