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# **NEWSLETTER Thursday 30th September 2021**

Dear Parents,

The weeks are rolling by faster than I would like, already a month in and the days are getting cooler and shorter! Read on for some updates about what's been happening so far this term – it's been busy and fun packed.

## LANDSCOVE LEARNERS

Class 1 have had great fun in Outdoor Explorers -challenging themselves on the climbing equipment and exploring the wooded area at the bottom of the school field. The smiles say it all!





Thinking like computing experts! In their computing lessons, class three have been learning about how digital devices work. When designing their own devices, the children considered what inputs they will need and what its processes will be.



# ARTS WEEK 11th-15th October Class three's beach clean at Elberry Cove.

Our Arts week this year is linked to the impact we have on our natural world and so Class 3 went on a beach clean to find out more. On arrival at the beach, the area appeared very clean. However, the children found hundreds of pieces of litter, ranging from small pieces of plastic to a large barbecue. The results of their survey will be sent to the Marine Conservation Society to help them identify the main sources of litter and raise awareness.

We would like to ask parents if you could collect some of the following and send in with your children - we have an amazing artist booked who will be creating sculptures from plastic waste & recycled materials. I think the staff are just as excited as the children!



# wood ("No MDF Chipboard or Plywood" thank you) coat-hangers cotton reels rolling pins tool handles drawer knobs spatulas spoons chairs/parts egg-cups

Scrap Material Plea

# metal

chain/springs

plastic bottle tops/lids





beach items





spoons/forks/spatulas









# Introducing your Landscove School Council for 2021/22! 🏡

Pupil voice is an important part of our school and we value the contributions all our children make. I wonder what new things our school council will want us to consider this year?



# STAFFING NEWS

We will be saying a sad farewell to our TA Mrs Annie Smith this week as she heads out on an adventure to pastures new in the equestrian world. We wish her lots of luck!

Baby News: The pitter patter of tiny feet are coming to the Landscove staffroom - Tasha Kearle and her husband Dean are expecting! It's wonderful to be able to share Tasha's news with you all. I am sure you wish her the best of health and happiness at this time. The question is... will it be a boy or a girl? Guesses are already in place! (3)





#### **ETHOS & VALUES**

#### **Rev Laura**

Following much thought and work on wellbeing for all, and the importance of talking, sharing and reaching out, Rev Laura has offered to be in the school garden each Friday from 2:30pm should you want a chat, ask for some advice or just to catch up. Please feel free to wander up the garden path, enjoy our space and meet with Laura. **World Mental Health Day 10<sup>th</sup> October:** 

In our PSHE lessons we will be thinking about managing feelings and exploring tips for looking after our mental health.



#### **Ethos Group**

The Ethos Group supports the Christian distinctiveness of our school, helping to identify new ways in which we can develop in sympathy with our Christian character. Half termly meetings provide the forum for sharing, discussing and supporting the developments in school. We have some great discussions and a few laughs too!

We currently have the following committee members in place, with a vacancy for a Class 1 parent – if you're interested please come and see me to discuss this further.

#### Membership:

Role	Current Person
Academy Head	JILL RYDER
Foundation Governor appointed to the Local	Rev LAURA MCADAM
Governing Board or Church representative	
Representative Governor from the Totnes Local Board	GRACE COLES
Staff representative responsible for RE/Collective	ANNA NEVILLE
Worship	
Parent representative*, with the aim of 1 Class Parent	UNA MCGOVERN C4
representative from each of the 4 classes	BECCA BUCHART C3 &4
	ALEXIS SOUL GRAY C2
*this may rise to 2 when children move year groups	BECKY HONOUR C2
	C1 VACANCY
Chair of PTFA	JUSTINA SUMMERFIELD
Community representative	CHRISTINE PASCOE

Please see website for further details:

http://www.landscove.thelink.academy/website/landscove\_ethos\_group/388560

## **PARENTS EVENING**

This is an opportunity to meet the class teacher for your child, find out about how they have settled into the new year and what plans and targets the teachers have moving forward.

Our parent consultation evenings will be held on:

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> October 3pm-6pm

Thursday 14th October 3pm-6pm.

Please look out for the parent's evening email inviting you to book your appointment slots.

We would like to invite parents into school for parents evening, but will ask everyone (yes including talkative staff!) to keep to timings so we can avoid having groups of people inside the building. We aim to keep everyone as Covid safe as possible!

If you ever have any worries or concerns about your child's school life, I'm sure that you know where to find us! Little chats can often happen with staff at the end of the day, but if you have something more significant you wish to discuss, please contact Mrs Grant & she will make an appointment for you.

#### FOLS - A message from Justina

Mufti day will be this Friday. £1 donation will be collected in the classroom.

Due to the changing weather conditions, the Cake sale will take place at morning break. Cakes will be 50p each. Any remaining cakes will be sold on the school field after school! Donations of cakes to be handed into school in the morning – thank you!

#### Second hand uniform sale.

There is a large collection of second hand uniform with lots of good quality stock. Tables with be set up weather permitting on the school field from 3.15. The clothes will be separated into age ranges as much as possible. Please leave the correct money in the collection pots.

Logo items £1.00

Trousers/dresses/skirts/shorts £1.00 Summer dresses £1.00 None logo t - shirts £0.50

Cardigans/ jumpers £1.00

## P.S Bags 4 school collection is Tuesday 2nd November!

#### **GETTING 'OTTER!**

Well done to Phoenix for his winning Otter design with a global warming theme. After a full and fun open evening at South Dartmoor both Phoenix and Daniel were able to celebrate their successes - Phoenix won a hamper and Daniel came runner up in the Dragon's Den challenge. I think they both had a super visit at SDCC!



#### Well done boys!

**ATTENDANCE AND SAFEGUARDING** Our Safeguarding Lead is Mrs Ryder and our Deputy Safeguarding Lead is Miss McFadzean. If you are concerned about a child's safety or wellbeing please contact the school or in non-school hours contact MASH on 0345 155 1071

Attendance	
(Our school target is 96.8%)	
Whole school	94.9 %
Class 1	97%
Class 2	95%
Class 3	98.6%
Class 4	90.1%
Well done to class 3!	•

**ONLINE SAFETY**. With the increased access children have to devices that can connect to the internet, it has never been more important to understand how to be safe when using online content.

Do visit our parent guide to online safety on the school website, there is lots of useful information to keep you up-to-date.



http://www.landscove.thelink.academy/website/online safety information for parents/572682

#### "YOU'LL NEVER GET A PLACE AT LANDSCOVE. THEY'RE ALWAYS FULL!"

I wonder if you ever heard this when you were looking for a place for your child? Well, it isn't always true. If

you have any friends or neighbours who are interested in attending the school always suggest that it is well worth giving us a ring. Like all schools, we have pupil movement and so there could be a vacancy if people ask!

#### **MUSIC**

We now have the following peripatetic music teachers in place.

- Monday & Tuesday pm we have Gabi teaching keyboard/electric piano, to book please email: gabriellemills@hotmail.co.uk
- Wednesday pm Lucy is teaching violin, for enquiries please email lucywiessler@gmail.com
- Friday am Simon returns to teach guitar & Ukulele, details shown here.



#### **COMING UP:**

Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Mufti day: FOLS cake sale and uniform sale
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Landscove Ethos Group meeting 6:30pm
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	FOLS Love Your School Day - 1.30 - 5.00pm
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Arts Week begins
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct	3pm- 6pm Parent Consultation Evening
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Class 4 Eden Project Trip
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct	3pm- 6pm Parent Consultation Evening
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	Break up for half term

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.