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NEWSLETTER Friday 22nd July 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a glorious week of weather! I hope it doesn't break for the start of the summer holidays; that would seem particularly unfair!

ETHOS, VISION & VALUES: GLOBAL NEIGHBOURS

I am thrilled to share with you that we have been awarded a bronze award for our work on the Global Neighbours Project. The Global Neighbours accreditation scheme helps us to work with the children to raise awareness of the extreme inequalities across our globe, the impact of climate change and perhaps more importantly, the steps we take to address these. We have taken part in this project because it gives us a practical way of living out our school vision and values. Our world is increasingly connected, and our hope is for our children to grow as responsible global citizens. Huge congratulations to Mrs Neville who has spear headed and trail blazed across the year!



LANDSCOVE LEARNERS – we have remained busy right up to the last minute. Here's a look at what the children have been up to

COOL CLASS 1

Class One had lots of fun keeping cool this week with a little help from some ice lollies and water spray!

A BUSY TIME FOR CLASS 2

Class 2 were statistic stars last week - creating pictograms and tally charts to represent a range of data. On Wednesday, they had a fun PE lesson with Mr Tanner,





practicing their javelin skills and technique. We may have some future Olympic stars in our midst!

FAIR TRADE TEA PARTY

Class 4 children have worked extremely hard to research, plan and perform in our Fairtrade Tea Party this week. We would like to say a massive thank you to parents who joined us for our Fairtrade Tea Party. We have managed to raise an amazing £29 for a Fairtrade company - children will be deciding which company we are going to donate towards this week.



FAIRGROUND DESIGNS

Class three have put together their science and DT skills to create their own fairground carousels. They LOVED sharing them! Please see our Facebook page to see these designs in action.



KS2 SATS RESULTS

Every May we notice the Y6 children becoming slightly nervous as "the dreaded SATs" approach. We always re-assure them that it is simply an opportunity for them to show everyone what they can do and how much they know. However, I have to tell that they all performed "with knobs on" this year! We always get good results but this year the children excelled themselves.

The tests require the children to sit 3 tests in Maths, for English they have to do a one hour reading test based on a range of different texts, a spelling test and a grammar and punctuation test ~ just a few challenges!

The headlines for our Landscove children at Age Related Expectations – or better are:

Reading: 92%

Grammar Spelling and punctuation 75%

• Maths: 83% Didn't they do well!

SAFEGUARDING & ATTENDANCE

Our designated safeguarding officer is Mrs Ryder and the deputy safeguarding officer is Miss McFadzean

Attendance: You will be aware from our recent newsletters that there is a national drive on improving attendance. This will



Attendance:				
(Our school target is 96.8%)				
Whole school	91 %			
Class 1	88.6%			
Class 2	94.2%			
Class 3	96.3%			
Class 4	83.2%			
Well done to class 3!				

continue on into next year, in particular, a focus will be on term time breaks, long weekends, and holidays, as well as challenging those days when children are feeling a bit tired and so stay at home. We really need your support in this area next year to get a better picture of attendance for our school.

UNIFORM & PE kit ready for September

Talking of next year...After fruitful discussions with some parents and staff 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 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
- 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 the PTFA 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.

DATES FOR AUTUMN:

Non-Pupil Days 1st & 2nd September. Children return to school on Monday 5th September.

A MESSAGE FROM JUSTINA AND FOLS:

Thank you to everyone who has supported FOLS this year in any way you can, every little helps! From cake bakers to stall holders or 100 club supporters we have had a successful year despite covid! I feel like we can all give ourselves a pat on the back and welcome the summer holidays!

This year we raised a whopping £2300! This helped to support arts week, swimming transport, jubilees badges and the spiritual garden amongst other things!

This will be my last FOLS email so I would like to say what a rewarding role running FOLS has been. Seeing the children take part in events and fundraising for the school has its challenges but ultimately purely benefits the children in the school.

On that note, I would like to say FOLS are looking for new members to take up the Secretary role, run bags4school and generally volunteer! Please look out for the AGM dates and encourage new school members to join in!

Have a wonderful summer,

Justina and FOLS

LEAVERS

As we come to the end of the academic year, we have said cheerio to some familiar faces who have been important members of our school community.

We say a sad farewell to Mrs Monroe who has supported children and in particular Daniel for xxxxx years as she now moves to Harbertonford (we really are going to need a new mini bus driver!!) – they are lucky to be getting such a dedicated TA!

I'd also like to take this opportunity to wish Miss M lots of luck as she leaves us today for her travels around the world ~ an exciting time of adventures ahead.

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

AND FINALLY...

Thank you for ploughing through this bumper edition! Whilst it is onwards and upwards for each Class of 2022, so it is also with our school. We never stand still, and we are always looking at how we can improve and 2022/23 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 your messages and gifts! 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. 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.

