Puddletown CEVC First School

'Inspiring learners to be the best they can be'

Newsletter No. 12

24th May 2019

Dear Parent,

It has hard to believe that we are now entering the last ½ term of the academic year.

Reports

Thank you to those who attended the recent report meetings. It was a small but select group! At the meeting I shared the reporting procedures for the 2019/20 academic year.

In the autumn term we will continue to hold our parent/teacher meetings in their current format, along with a curriculum information evening. In the spring term we will continue to provide you with a report on your child's predicted end of year attainment but this will be in a shorter format (a draft is on the website in the reporting section in the Information and Policies tab). This will be given to you at the spring term parent/teacher meeting. These meetings will be held across the 2nd ½ of the spring term and will be longer than the 10 minute sessions we have offered in the past. This will enable you and the class teacher to explore your child's progress, look at books and plan the targets for the summer term.

Then in the summer term we will provide an end of year report in the current format.

School Buses

We are aware that on Friday there was a problem with one of the school bus. The issue was made worse by a lack of communication by the bus company and other schools. We are able to arrange to add contact details to the St Mary's Middle School parent communication system so that they are able to advise of any delays that may occur in the future. If you **do not** want us to pass on contact details please inform the office.

E Safety

Following last term's E Safety presentations I have added the latest E Safety parent newsletter to the website, this can be found in the Safeguarding section, please do take time to look at it.

Staffing

after 1/2 term.

I am very sorry to inform you that Miss Muggeridge will be leaving our school at the end of this term. Miss Muggeridge has spent 3 years with us and will be greatly missed by all of the staff and children. I wish her every success in her future career which will be in Sussex. In the meantime we will continue to enjoy working with Miss Muggeridge for the rest of the term. I am pleased to say that the governors have appointed Miss Gomm to fill the vacancy left by Miss Muggeridge and we are looking forward to working with Miss Gomm in the new academic year. We have also appointed 2 new lunchtime supervisors, Mrs Thomas and Mrs Kinder. We are looking forward to welcoming them to the staff team

YR Leeson Visit

Those with a YR child may be aware that the bus taking the children to Leeson House this week was first on the scene of a serious road traffic incident. We were not directly involved in the accident and the children were safe at all times but both Mrs Roberts and Mrs Newton attended the casualties and supported the emergency services upon their arrival. I remained in the coach with 2 other adults to care for the children. The children were largely unaware of the seriousness of the accident being more concerned about being late for Edward Bear! Please be assured that the children were kept away from knowing about what had happened. I would at this point like to thank both Mrs Roberts and Mrs Newton for their immense courage in dealing with a very tough situation without hesitation and for then to continue with the trip as though nothing had happened for the children. What a fantastic example to show for our children, Puddletown is blessed to have such people caring for our children. Our thoughts and prayers are with the casualties and their families.

Diary Dates

03 Jun - Inset Day

04 Jun - Pupils return to school

4/11/18/25 Jun – Puddleducks Sessions

05 Jun – School Nurse Drop in sessions

05 Jun - Year 2 trip to Corfe Castle

12 Jun – Year 1 trip to Bournemouth Oceanarium

26 Jun - FoPS Summer Disco

01 Jul - Sports Day

01 Jul - Lit Fest Week

04 Jul - Transfer Day

08 Jul - Reserve Sports Day

09 Jul - Year 4 visit to Wimborne Minster

11 Jul - Year 2 visit to Holland Barn

12 Jul - FoPS Hoedown

15 Jul – Celebration Afternoon 1.30pm

17 Jul – Year 1 trip to Cox's Farm

17 Jul – Meet the teacher meetings 5.30-6.30pm

18 Jul – Thank-you Tea for helpers

22 Jul - Leavers Assembly

22 Jul - Leavers Party 6-7.30pm

23 Jul - Break up

Please note the change of time for the 'meet the teacher evening. This is due to the TUC BBQ in Tolpuddle on the same evening.

Communication

If you need to contact me at all please do catch me on the gate in the morning, contact the school office or email me head@puddletownfirst.dorset.sch.uk