Puddletown CEVC First School 'Inspiring learners to be the best they can be'

# Newsletter No. 13

### Dear Parent,

Well, you never know summer may arrive at some point before we reach the end of term, we can only hope! If it does please ensure that your child is properly sun protected with a hat and sunscreen. Whilst we can't apply sunscreen for all 146 children in school if they have sunscreen with them they can reapply it themselves before lunch etc.

## Celebration Day 15<sup>th</sup> July

Our celebration day this year will take a slightly different format. There will still be time for you to look at your child's work and celebrate their achievements with them as we have done before. However this year we will be sharing our whole school topic we will be undertaking to celebrate the 50 year anniversary of the first moon landing. Just like the NASA mission this is a very ambitious project for us. We plan to recreate much of the journey of that historic flight. We will be building a reconstruction of mission control in Y4, the interiors of the command module and lunar lander in Y3 and the moon in the hall. We will also be producing news reports of the whole mission and linking all our work to the landings.

This will all be completed in time for the celebration day when your child will be able to take you on the whole journey!

However, as the space ships will only hold a crew of 3 we will need to timetable the day!

- **YR** 9.00am 10.00 and 3.30 4.00pm
- **Y1** 10.00 11.00am and 4.00 4.30pm
- **Y2** 11.00 12.00pm and 4.30- 5.00pm
- **Y3** 1.00 2.00pm and 5.00 5.30pm

Y4 - 2.00pm - 3.00pm and 5.30 - 6.00pm There will also be an open slot between 6.00 - 7.00pm.

This will be a really exciting project for the children. If you have any memories, memorabilia or artefacts you would like to share I would love to hear from you. Also if you have any white or black sheets we could have we would be very grateful, please note that these will be used and may not be able to be returned. We could also make use of camping groundsheets, these would be returned.

We are really looking forward to this topic.

# Sports day 1<sup>st</sup> July

This year we will be reversing our order of the day. The KS2 events will be in the morning, beginning at 9.30am. The afternoon will be our whole school sports event beginning at 1.15pm. All children should have a house colour top and can come to school in their sports kit. All are welcome to support their children at either or both events. In case of poor weather we have a reserve date of 8<sup>th</sup> July.

## Staffing

I am sad to report that Mrs Yeo has left her teaching assistant post with Y2. For the rest of this term Mrs McCarthy will be working in Y2 and Miss Clark will work in Y3.

We are pleased to welcome Mrs Kinder and Mrs Thomas to the roles of lunchtime supervisors.

## Trips and visits

We have had a number of really successful visits across the year with some more still to take place. These are great learning experiences for the children. As you will know FOPS do a great job in supporting the costs for this.

We have also received financial support from Dorset ASSET who are funding the transport for our visits to Wessex Conservation for which we are grateful and funding has been secured from the Institute of Mechanical Engineering who have kindly offered a donation to cover the cost of the transport for the Year 3 trip to the Lyme Regis Museum later this term. Thanks to both of these organisations who have assisted in supporting these fantastic opportunities for the children to visit local interests.

#### **Diary Dates**

- 18 & 25 Jun Puddleducks Sessions
- 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 3 trip to Lyme Regis
- 17 Jul Year 4 Science morning @ THS
- 17 Jul Year 1 trip to Cox's Farm
- 17 Jul Meet the teacher meetings 6pm & 6.30pm
- 18 Jul Thank-you Tea for helpers
- 19 Jul Year 4 trip to PGL
- 22 Jul Leavers Assembly
- 22 Jul Leavers Party 6-7.30pm
- 23 Jul Break up

## 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 <u>head@puddletownfirst.dorset.sch.uk</u>