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NEWSLETTER – January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back to the Spring 2022 term. I hope that you had an enjoyable break with your children.

I am sure that everyone is still concerned about the ongoing COVID pandemic and what this means for schools. At this point in time, we know as much as you! We continue to have a live risk assessment, which we adjust depending on the case numbers in school. Currently our numbers are still low, as they were before Christmas. We will continue to update you of confirmed cases in school. If we have a high number of cases at the same time, we are required to take advice from Public Health, who may require us to put in place measures such as a temporary return to class bubbles. We will always let you know of any changes as soon as we can.

The other issue related to COVID is a lack of staffing. We experienced this back in November and early December. Currently we have most of our staff in school, but we don't know what will happen in the future, and like many other schools, we may get to a point of not having enough staff to run all the classes. In this situation, some of the classes may have to switch, short term, to remote learning. This would only ever be a last resort. Again, we would try to give as much notice of this as possible.

We understand that the situation and the uncertainty is frustrating. We feel that too. Ultimately we just need to do whatever we can, working together, to ensure that your children are impacted as little as possible and continue to experience an exciting and stimulating curriculum, enabling them to make good academic progress and enjoy learning.

With regards
Mrs Sally Dreckmann

Christmas Raffle/Shop

Our thanks to Katie, Michelle and Joe from Sunflower Class and their band of helpers for all their efforts and hard work in organising and running the Christmas shop and raffle. We have been advised that £1295.41 was raised which also includes the money received from the children's Christmas decorations they made in class. This is a fantastic amount considering we were unable to hold our Christmas Fair this year. Please do look on our website as there are a number of photographs of the children enjoying the Christmas festivities including a visit by a 'special person' on the last day of term.



Christmas Concert Collections

A big thank you to everyone who gave so generously to our Christmas concert collections. We raised £211.98 which will go to Little Bundles Baby Bank, a local charity who provide clothes, toiletries, prams and other goods to those families most in need.

Christmas Jumper Day

We had a lovely day on Friday 10th December wearing our Christmas jumpers. We raised £218.35 which we have sent to the "Save the Children Fund" appeal.



Before/After School Clubs

Just a reminder that all clubs will be starting back during the week commencing 10^{th} January. A list of all the clubs which will be running is attached together with details on how to enrol.

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal We have just been notified that we collected £216.43 for the British

Legion back in November. Thank you for your support.



<u>Transfer to Juniors and Starting School Forms</u>
Saturday 15th January is the deadline for

applications for Transfer to Junior School and also Starting School Admissions for the September 2022 intake. Please ensure you have completed this on-line application if relevant to you.

Flu Vaccinations

We have been advised that you still have until February to attend a catch up clinic if your child missed their flu vaccination in school. Please apply online by visiting

www.susseximmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu

You will need to enter the school code which is SX125928. Please speak to Mrs Porter in the office if you are having any difficulties.

Parent Consultations

We are planning to hold parent consultation appointments during the weeks commencing 7^{th} and 14^{th} February. A letter giving the date and time of your appointment to meet your child's class teacher will be sent out towards the end of January.

Pagham Parish Council

We would like to thank Pagham Parish Council who awarded the PTA with a discretionary grant of £200. This will be used towards the redevelopment of our school library.

Price Increases

We have been notified that Cool Milk will be increasing the price of children's milk from 23p to 24p per day from January. Children under the age of 5 will still continue to receive milk free-of-charge.

Our uniform supplier, School Trends, has also increased their prices which will take effect from the beginning of January.

Online Viewing

A number of children have come back to school and told us about things that they have been watching online over the Christmas break which are clearly not age appropriate, including the dreaded Squid Games. While we cannot tell you what to let your children watch, please consider the potential impact of letting them watch programmes intended for older audiences. A couple of the children told adults that they were scared by what they had seen. It may be that you haven't realised what they are watching. There are ways to limit what can be seen on different streaming services. Netflix information can be found at https://www.childnet.com/blog/new-parentalcontrols-launched-on-netflix/ and for YouTube

https://www.youtube.com/intl/ALL_uk/kids/parent-resources/

<u>Dates for your Diary - more details to follow</u> (New dates in <u>Red</u>)

Event	Date	Time
Inset Day	Tuesday 4 th January	
Start of Spring Term	Wednesday 5 th January	
Butterfly & Hedgehog Classes to walk around local area looking at different types of houses	Tuesday 11 th January	pm
Ladybird Class to walk around local area	Wednesday 12 th January	pm
Year 1 Infant Agility at The Arena	Tuesday 25 th January	9.15 am
Parent consultations	Week commencing 7 th & 14 th February	
PTA Disco	Friday 11 th February Reception Classes: 3.00 – 4.00 pm Years 1 & 2: 4.15 – 5.30 pm	
Non uniform day (to raise funds for planting in sensory garden)	Wednesday 16 th February	
Half Term	Monday 21st - Friday 25th February	
Creative Week	Monday 28 th February - Friday 4 th March	
World Book Day	Thursday 3 rd March	
Red Nose Day (non-uniform)	Friday 18 th March	
PTA Quiz Night	Friday 25 th March	
Easter Holidays	Monday 11 th - Friday 22 nd April	
Start of the Summer Term	Monday 25 th April	

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The following clubs will be running during the Spring Term. Further information/forms are available from the school office.

Mondays

Fitjoy (Dance Fitness) Club: 3.00 – 4.00 pm - Start date: Monday 10th January until 28th March. £55.00 for 11 weeks. Years R, 1 & 2. Book online at https://portal.gymcatch.com/providers/2375/courses/5920/details You need to follow FITJOY and click courses. Your will see Rose green January. Alternatively telephone 07738 249612

Tuesdays

Gymnastics Club: 8.00 – 8.45 am – Start date Tuesday 11th January until 29th March. £43.99 for 11 weeks. Years R, 1 & 2. Book online at www.premier-education.com or call 01953 499040

Short Tennis Club: 3.00 – 3.50 pm – Start date: Tuesday 11th January until 29th March. £55.00 for 11 weeks. Years 1 & 2 (booking form available from the office)

Wednesdays

Music Exploration Club: 3.00 – 3.45 pm – Start date: Wednesday 12th January until 30th March. £55.00 for 11 weeks. Years R, 1 & 2. Book online at https://inclusivemusicandmovement.weebly.com/sign-up-or-contact-us.html

Thursdays

Pathway Coaching Football Club: 3.00 – 4.00 pm – Start date: Thursday 13th January until 17th February. £30.00 for 6 weeks. Years R, 1 & 2. Book online at www.pathway-coaching.co.uk or call 01243 974558