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NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents

Staffing

I am delighted to inform you that Mrs Gill had a baby boy on 23rd May. I am sure you will all join me in sending her and her family many congratulations.

After six years at Stoke Park Junior School, Mr Gunner has secured a promotion at Cupernham Junior School so he will be leaving us at the end of this term. We wish him every success in his new role.

Classes for September

We will be mixing the classes for children in Years 5 and 6 next year. Over the next week teachers will be asking the children in their classes to name three children they would be happy to be placed with next year. The class lists will then be created ensuring that every child has at least one friend from their list. Parents with children in Years 4 and 5 will receive a letter today with further details.

Information on where the teachers will be teaching next year will be shared with you in the newsletter on 23rd June.

Clean Air Scooter Challenge

Our school is registered for the Clean Air Scooter Challenge next week. The challenge is to get as many children as possible scooting to school next week. For our school this challenge will start on Tuesday 15th June as the school is closed for Inset Day on 14th. Please see the attached leaflet for further information on this challenge.



On-Line Safety Newsletter

The latest on-line safety newsletter will be sent out today with the newsletter.

Rock to the Beat

Hampshire Music are offering an exciting opportunity to the current years 3, 4 and 5 from September 2021.

Children who sign up will take part during school hours and will get the chance to play in a fun rock band.

Rock2thebeat gives children the choice of voice, electric guitar, bass guitar or drums; they will learn popular songs and perform together as a rock band. The programme is designed to develop instrumental, vocal and band skills as well as increase confidence and wellbeing. Experienced Hampshire music staff will provide either weekly music skill lessons or a 40 minute rock band session during school hours, with the opportunity for parents to come and watch them in concert at the end of term. A fee of £25 a month is payable directly to

Hampshire Music Service. This includes all musical instrument hire, teaching, resources and end of term concerts.

This opportunity is in addition to the instrumental tuition (through Hampshire Music Service) that some parents signed their children up to at the beginning of the Summer term. Children in years 4 and 5 will get the opportunity to watch teachers from Hampshire Music Service show off their Rock2thebeat skills on Thursday, with year 3 having the opportunity to watch a recorded session.

To find out more about Rock2thebeat please visit: <https://youtu.be/jBHLQ00yjPQ>
The sign up form is available via Hampshire Music Service at: <https://forms.gle/yf1BmUseJqgez4Vt5>

Please note, that if there is not enough interest, we will no longer be able to provide this experience.

Landscape Strategy Workshops

Many thanks to those parents who have volunteered to take part in the two workshops. You will shortly receive a letter with further details of the events. A big thank you for volunteering your time to this very exciting project.

Soap

As we continue to ensure that the children wash their hands regularly throughout the school day, we have switched our brand of soap to Carex, which we hope will be kinder to the children's skin.

Lunch Boxes

If you provide your child with a packed lunch, please remember that we operate a NO NUT policy in school.

We ask that your child has a healthy lunch box which does not include sweets or chocolate.

A reminder of the events coming up for this term.

Inset Day

The school will be closed on Monday 14th June for an Inset Day. Please note that due to operational needs, this is a different day to Stoke Park Infant School.

Sports Day Afternoons

Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school for their allocated afternoon:

Year 6 – Tuesday 15th June

Year 3 – Wednesday 16th June

Year 4 – Thursday 17th June

Year 5 – Friday 18th June

Swimming

Children in Year 5 will take part in their swimming programme starting on Thursday 24th June. We are awaiting updated Government guidance as to whether this can take place and will send out further details as soon as we can.



Change Over Day

Tuesday 6th July - Year 6 Induction Day at Wyvern and Change Over Day – all children to spend the morning in their new classes.

Further information will be sent out nearer the time.



Year 3 Camp

Thursday 8th and Friday 9th July. We are awaiting further Government guidance on whether this event can take place.

School Start Times

A reminder that the start times for children in Years 3 and 5 is 8.45am and for Years 4 and 6 is 9.00am. Children should be in their classes at these times, ready for registration. Any children arriving after this time will be recorded as late.

Could I please ask for your support in ensuring that your child arrives on time? It is very disruptive for the class teacher and the other children in the class if children arrive late.

Face Masks

I am aware that the infant school have relaxed the requirement to wear masks on the playground, however, we request that all parents continue to wear masks on the junior school site, unless you are exempt, until further notice.

Congratulations

To Francesca Ionascu who competed in the Southampton Stage Dance Festival over half term and came first with her character solo dance, qualifying for the All England Dance Championships.

To Lily Harvey, Lewis Schofield and Jack Baggaley who have joined the X Club.

Allison Jenkins
Headteacher