

12th July 2018

Dear Parents,

Coombe Bissett and Homington Show - THIS SATURDAY

If your child hasn't already brought in their entry for this year's show please can they bring it into school **tomorrow**. We set this as homework for all children as this is an important part of being a village school; supporting community events.

7 years and under - Vegetable Printing

8 - 12 years - Animal Collage using natural materials

Please ensure your child's **age is clearly visible** to the judges BUT your child's **name is not visible** – their name should be clearly written on the back of their entry or attached.

The show is open from $2.30\,\mathrm{pm}$ – $4.30\,\mathrm{pm}$. There are teas available from $2.45\,\mathrm{pm}$ – $3.45\,\mathrm{pm}$. Admission is £1.00 for adults, with children free. This important village event is an excellent opportunity to enjoy being part of our village and, if you are able to attend the show, I know you will be made very welcome.

Sports Day

What a glorious morning yesterday's Sports Day was! It was great to be joined by so many families and friends for what was a very exciting Sports Day. Thank you to the parents who kindly put up gazebos for us; they provided valuable shade for the children. Well done to all the children who demonstrated such excellent skills in skipping, throwing, dribbling, balancing and negotiating obstacles as well as speed and determination. The individual running events and relay were keenly contested with every point counting. Congratulations to all the children on their achievements and special congratulations to Yellow Team the winners of Sports Day 2018! Thank you to all the staff for ensuring all the different events were enjoyed by all the children with a special thank you to Mr Wyatt who leads the whole morning, ensuring everyone is in the right place at the right time and doing the right thing! I would also like to thank the Friends for providing ice pops for all the children – they were thoroughly enjoyed at the end of a very hot morning.

Reports

You will receive your child's end of year report today. Staff take time and care to write reports, sharing your child's learning and progress this academic year in all areas. For those children who have taken part in national assessments (Phonics Screening, Key Stage One Assessments and Key Stage Two Assessments) you will also find your child's assessment results included with their report. I am very proud of all the children in our school who work hard to achieve their very best and also of all the staff who provide such rich and engaging experiences with carefully planned learning opportunities to ensure each child fulfils their potential.

Transition Session - Wednesday 18th July

During the morning of Wednesday, 18th July there will be an opportunity for all the children to have a session in their September 2018 class. For those children moving into a different class they will have the opportunity to familiarise themselves with routines, classroom layout as well as meet their new Teacher and Teaching Assistant. For those children staying in the same class but moving into the older year group there will be an opportunity to begin to realise the responsibilities and expectations of being the older children in the class.

Key Stage Two Production - Wednesday 18th July @ 2pm and 6pm

Everyone in Key Stage Two is busy rehearsing for this year's Key Stage Two Summer Production – What a Knight. Family and friends are invited to join us for what I'm sure will be a wonderful show. The afternoon performance is the perfect opportunity to bring younger family members – not as crowded or late in the day.

Last Day of Term - Leavers' Service and Whole School Picnic; Wednesday 25th July

We look forward to welcoming families and friends to our end of year celebrations on Wednesday 25th July. Our Leavers' Service in the morning is at 10am in St Michael and All Angels Church, Coombe Bissett – an opportunity for our whole school community to celebrate our year six pupils and wish them well as they embark on the next step of their journey. Following our Leavers' Service we will return to school for a whole school picnic on our top field. Everyone is invited to both the service and the picnic and we hope as many people as possible will join us. If your child is in Oak or Elm class and you would like a School Packed Lunch please complete the slip below and return to the School Office by Wednesday 18th July. All Fir and Ash Classes will need to bring a picnic lunch from home. All the children will return to their classrooms at 1pm for registration and to collect all their things before going home. The end of the school day will therefore be 1.15pm.

September 2018

All children will start school on Wednesday 5th September when we will using our new school day times. Children will need to be in school and ready to line up at 8.50am, please ensure you arrive at school by 8.45am to allow your child to be organised and feel ready for the start of their school day. Our 'Early Morning Drop Off' facility will be available from 8.20am, if you would like to use this facility but haven't already indicated this then please let our school office know.

Our school day will end at 3.15pm. Our new 'Late Pick Up' facility will run until 3.45pm. Again, if you would like to use this facility but haven't already indicated this then please let our school office know. Invoices for both facilities will be sent out by our school office at the beginning of September.

Class teachers will be the same for September although there will be a change to the structure in Oak Class. Mrs Macaulay will be reducing her days and teaching in Oak Class on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesday while Mrs Bowers will be increasing her days and teaching in Oak Class on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

In September, Mrs Mould will be supporting learning in Oak Class all day. We are currently advertising for a new Learning Support Teacher to work in Elm Class in the mornings. I look forward to letting everyone know as soon as we have appointed.

100 Club

Here are the results for the recent 100 club draw.

May 2018 1st prize (£25) Julie Wood 2nd prize (£10) Brian Childes 3rd prize (£5) Yvonne Toon

June 2018 1st prize (£25) Lizzie Harrington 2nd prize (£10) Mrs Ann Batten 3rd prize (£5) Mr Chandler

Thank you to all who have already signed up to the 100 club to support the extra curricular experiences for the children. The club needs us all to support it to ensure its survival next year. Each member will be handed a special number which they will own for the length of their subscription. This number will be entered every month into the lottery draw for a chance to win the prize money. Please help support the children of Coombe Bissett School for just £1 a month!!!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs D Cockrean Head Teacher

CLUB NEWS - Club information for Term 1 & 2 will be circulated at the beginning of next term.

TERM DATES

July 18th KS2 Performances 2pm & 6pm

25th Leavers Service 10am – followed by Whole School Picnic and school finishes at 1.15pm

September 3rd Inset Day (School Closed)

4th Inset Day (School Closed) 5th Term 1 Commences 7th Happy's Circus

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My child ______ would like a School Packed lunch on Wednesday 25th July

Ham Wrap Yes/No

Cheese Wrap Yes/No