



# Coombe Bissett Primary

## Newsletter 2 (13/9/19)



### VALUES FOR LIFE

This term we will be exploring 'Community' as a value for life. Children will be thinking about how we are connected to others, community spirit, building strong foundations, teamwork and valuing everyone. In dinner-table discussions you might want to chat about the home-team you have, the way you work together helping each other. Some of you may even build this into 'jobs' your child does around the house, eventually earning 'reward' moments for the family as a whole.

### PARENT INFORMATION EVENINGS

It was lovely to see so many of you at the Parent Information Evenings this week where teachers explained the structure and systems, the learning and things you could do to help. Working together in partnership with the school your child will achieve so much more. For all those unable to attend the information will be sent out to you in a pack. Thank you to the teachers for giving so much of their time and dedication to these evenings.

Later this Autumn (dates to be issued soon) we will be holding a Y6 Parents evening where we focus on SATs – we do expect all parents to attend so as to know how best you can support your child.

### CAR PARKING

I fully recognise how difficult car parking is at our school – and I really do appreciate all the efforts you go to in order to keep it flowing and organised. This community spirit is something we truly value here at Coombe Bissett. So I would like to say thank you. Furthermore, please continue to avoid parking up the lane on a Thursday, and please continue to park in an organised fashion at the Village hall. Having taught in 6 schools (2 town, 4 village) I can honestly say that it is an issue for nearly every school in the country. I am proud to be part of a community that works together so well to ensure it is managed so wonderfully.

### BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING, BEHAVIOUR FOR LIFE

We are currently reviewing our behaviour policy to encourage and ensure the behaviour of every individual child in the school is something we are all proud of. Excellent behaviour not only ensures good progress in learning but also gives children skills for life: enabling them to have successful friendships and relationships, enabling them to continue to thrive at Secondary school and enabling them to be successful in interviews and in employment.

### WELLY BOOTS

It is my desire that children will get onto the field as often as possible, even when it is wet. This provides more space for them to play and avoids the grazes children inevitably collect on the playground. To enable this to happen, we request that every child has a pair of wellingtons in school that will be kept on wellyboot racks. You can provide a NAMED pair for school, or you could bring them in on Monday taking them home on Friday for your muddy weekend family walks.

Unfortunately, those children without wellingtons will have to remain on the playground when the field is wet. We know that from time to time your child may then get wet trousers/skirt...but as they will have their PE jogging bottoms in every day this will not be a problem on those odd occasions.

**To give parents time to prepare, this will begin from Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September.**

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### **CLOTHING & PE KITS**

Please ensure all your child's clothing, including their PE kit, is named. This enables lost property to be returned to the child, and in the end saves you lots of money as a family!

### **TOYS**

Unless it is for show and tell, or for a school topic, please discourage your child from bringing toys / swap-cards / etc in to school. It helps avoid any friendship issues and avoids any potential upset.

### **CLUBS**

If anyone would be interested in running a club at school please let me know or contact the school office. This could be a gardening club, a choir, handbells, cookery, etc.

### **PUPIL LEADERSHIP**

We provide a whole range of pupil leadership opportunities across the school. Congratulations to the following children:

| Leadership  | Oak                                       | Elm                                | Fir                           | Ash                                  |
|---|---|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| School Council  | Poppy Cooper                              | Joseph Wheeldon<br>Florence Cripps | Kit Palmer<br>Sophia Barrow   | Poppy Weeks<br>Kody Winder           |
| Worship Council   | Rose Socorro                              | Tom Gabriel<br>Tom Latter          | Amelia Cripps<br>Lauren Wood  | Ollie Turner-Kenny<br>Roseanna Lamb  |
| Class Ambassador  | Harper Morrison                           | Bella Phillips<br>Poppy Howarth    | Isla Gabriel<br>Isobel Scutt  | Guy Palmer<br>Eloise Vince           |
|   | Red                                       | Blue                               | Green                         | Yellow                               |
| Team Captain  | Olivia-May<br>Candlish                    | Rosie Maple                        | Maria Parrott                 | Archie Tidmarsh                      |
| Team Vice<br>Captain  | Leo Mahony                                | Louis Hatton                       | Rianna Hardy                  | Elena Stephens                       |
| School Sports<br>Ambassador   | Tommy Scutt                               | Archie Tidmarsh                    | Hettie McGuire                | Maria Parrott                        |
| PEER LEADERS (Running lunchtime clubs)  |   |                                    |                               |                                      |
| Monday  | Tuesday                                   | Wednesday                          | Thursday                      | Friday                               |
| Max / Hettie /<br>Archie = KS2<br>Multisports<br>Rosie / Poppy =<br>KS1 Multisports | Louis / Tommy /<br>Olivia = KS1<br>Doodle | Elena / Maria =<br>KS2 Sketching   | Archie / Guy =<br>KS1 Running | Morgan / Leo / Guy<br>= KS1 Football |

### **ALDI – KIT FOR SCHOOLS**

We are collecting the stickers for schools from Aldi. If you shop there please donate your stickers to us so that we can earn a free sports kit and be entered into a chance to win £20,000 for the school. The deadline is 18<sup>th</sup> November – so every shopping trip counts as we need 300 stickers! Our children will also be taking part in the Team GB 150 Healthy Challenges – lots of fun for all!

### **STAFFING NEWS**

It is with great sadness that I am announcing that Mrs Emma Wateridge, our Finance Officer, will be leaving us at the end of September to start a new full-time Finance Job. Emma has been with us a year and has done a fantastic job organising our school finances – she will be greatly missed. I am sure you will join us in wishing her all the very best in her exciting new role. To apply for the vacancy of Finance Officer (2 days a week) please contact the school office.

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## DATES

More dates will be made available soon, and further dates will be added such as class trips.

| Term 1      |   | Term 2 |  |
|-------------|---|--------|--|
| 16/9        | Meet the SENCO 8.20am & 3.15pm  | 6/11   | Hi5 Netball Tournament @ Laverstock (TBC)  |
| 20/9        | 1.45pm in Church = Mr Basinger-Adams commissioning Service - all welcome      | 7/11   | YR to Y6 Flu Immunisation - you must reply to the letter sent out if you wish your child immunised at school (letter will be sent in due course) |
| 25/9        | All day = Y5/6 Girls Football Tournament for selected players @ Pembroke Park | 8/11   | Y5/6 Orienteering Tournament for selected players  |
| 27/9        | Interview day for Finance Officer   | 11/11  | Remembrance - Ash Class attend the War Memorial  |
| 8/10        | pm = KS1 Football Inter-Team Tournament                                       | 13/11  | Hockey Festival for selected players (TBC)   |
| 9/10        | All day = Tri-golf sports tournament for selected players                     | 14/11  | Holy Communion in school   |
| 11/10       | 2.30pm = Diary of Reflection Service in the Church - all welcome              | 22/11  | Fir Class Voices Inspire Concert @ Salisbury Cathedral   |
|             |   | 28/11  | Sports Ambassador Training day   |
| 15/10       | Godolphin Literacy Festival for 10x selected Y2/Y3                            | 3/12   | pm = KS1 Inter-Team Tag Rugby Tournament   |
| 16/10       | pm = KS2 Football Inter-Team Tournament                                       | 4/12   | pm = KS2 Inter-Team Tag Rugby Tournament   |
| 17/10       | 1.45pm = Harvest Festival in the Church - all welcome                         | 5/12   | Schools Netball Finals - should we advance to this from locals   |
| 18/10       | Last day of Term 1  | 11/12  | 2pm = KS1 Nativity Production in the Village Hall  |
| 21/10-23/10 | Staff Training days   | 13/12  | Mini Xmas Fayre by FOCBS (TBC)   |
|             |   | 16/12  | 6pm = Christingle Service in the Church - all welcome  |
|             |   | 19/12  | Christmas lunch and Christmas parties  |
|             |   | 20/12  | Christmas Jumper Charity day<br>1pm = Carol Service in the Church - all welcome<br>2pm = Early finish<br>Last day of Term 2                      |

Every Monday afternoon through to November = Fir Class Inspire Singing lesson in preparation for a Music event at Salisbury Cathedral on 22/11.

**Please note that additional dates will be added for class educational visits / class topic days / FOCBS events / etc.**

## CELEBRATION WORSHIP

Don't forget - our celebration worship is held most Fridays 2.45pm - all families are welcome!

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We also encourage children to share their achievements outside of school such as medals / certificates earned in their clubs.

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