



Little Stoke Primary School

25th June 2021

KEY DATES

Year 6 swimming block: 5th – 9th July, every afternoon

Transition afternoon: Wednesday 7th July

Sports Day: Friday 9th July

Transition morning: Thursday 15th July

Year 6 leavers' event: Wednesday 21st July

End of term 6: Wednesday 21st July

Start of term 1: Children return **Monday 6th September** (2nd and 3rd are INSET days)

School uniform:

We understand that the end of the school year is nearing and many of you will not want to spend money on clothes or shoes the children will grow out of. But school uniform is so important for the culture, community and behaviour in school. Please ensure your children come to school in the correct school or PE uniform, including shoes. When the children are smartly presented in school uniform, it helps to promote the school community and expectations.

In September, we will have renewed focus on uniform. As well as the positive benefits to our school community, this will also prepare children for secondary where they will also be expected to wear the correct uniform and there are sanctions for pupils who don't.

Dear Parents and Carers,



Gypsy, Roma, Traveller month

Across the year we hold celebration months to raise awareness the history and culture of many different communities. This month we are learning about the heritage of Gypsy, Roma and Travellers as part of the national month of celebration. The children will complete work in class and whole school assemblies to support increasing understanding of the heritage and history of these communities.

You can find out more from:

<https://www.gypsy-traveller.org/heritage/gypsy-roma-and-traveller-history-month-2021/>

The new KS1 fencing

You will have noticed there is a new fence sectioning off an outdoor area outside the Key Stage One classes. This is a space which will be used to extend the Year 1 and Year 2 classrooms to enable outdoor learning as part of the provision. We hope in time that we will be able to add some cover to this area making it useful all year round.

Medical appointments

Attendance at school is very important and has a significant impact on your child's learning. Please try to arrange medical and dentists appointments outside of school hours.

Behaviour assembly

The children in all classes have filmed a short class assembly to explain more about our three behaviour rules: Safe, Kind and Useful and why these are so important when thinking about children's right to an education and responsibility to learn and allow others to learn. These have been shared on Google Classroom and Tapestry (for Reception). Year 3 have not yet filmed theirs, but it will be added and parents notified. Please speak to your class teacher if you need a reminder of how to log on to your child's classroom.

Mr Dan Ross – Headteacher

FOLS



Thank you so much for the amazing fund raising in term 5! The Penny Wars raised a brilliant £219.14 and the 'Dare to be different day' raised a fantastic £210.02. Thank you all for your continued support in raising vital funds for improving the school. We would like to use the money to continue investing in the indoor and outdoor areas of the school to offer more opportunity for the children.

Plea for resources:

If you are able to help with any of these items, please contact the school office:

- Logs (for sitting on) for forest school.
- Wood chippings.

Classes for next year/staffing updates:

As you will be aware, Mrs Glover and Mrs Hull will be off on maternity next academic year. We are very pleased to be welcoming three new members of our teaching staff to cover these roles.

Sadly, we will also be saying goodbye to Miss Evans, who has taught in Y6 and Y1 this year, and also to Mrs Bellis, who has worked at the school for five years. We wish both Miss Evans and Mrs Bellis the very best for the future and thank them for all the hard work and dedication they have put into Little Stoke Primary.

Class:	Teacher(s)
R	Miss Heather Roche
1	Miss Hannah Parson/Mrs Charlotte Woods
2	Mrs Izzy Potterton
3	Miss Hannah Vaughan
4	Miss Donna Southcott
5	Miss Alex Hull (Miss Sarah Rose covering maternity from Sept 20 th)
6	Miss Jaimie Bradwell (covering Mrs Glover's maternity)

We will be providing a transition afternoon and a transition morning where the children will be able to see their new classroom and meet their new teacher (the dates are listed in the key dates section).

Sports day:

Sports day is on Friday July the 9th: Years 3 – 6 in the morning and Years R-2 in the afternoon.

We hope to be able to facilitate some spectators, but as restrictions are still statutory, we must do this in line with the latest guidance to ensure the safety of the school community. There will be a separate letter detailing the arrangements but numbers will have to be significantly reduced in comparison with previous years and additional safety measures will need to be put in place.