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No 4 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers

Extended Services

A few parents have contacted me with their concerns about the recent increase in charges at Extended Services. The Governors discussed this on Thursday and have decided to reduce the cost of the second session of Stay & Play (4.30/5.30pm) to £2.50. We hope that this reduction will help parents using the provision and lower their costs. Thank you for your feedback. Please may I also remind parents to pre book places at extended services on parent pay. We need advance notice so that we can ensure we have enough staff available for your child to attend.

Macmillan Fundraising

Today we held a non-uniform day, coffee morning and cake sale. Thanks to Mrs Symes and Mrs Anderson for organising this busy morning. They have so far raised £520! for this very worthwhile charity. I am sure this total will rise with the cake sale held today after school in the Green Room. Many thanks to everyone who helped today and all that donated such fantastic cakes. Cake tins can be collected from the children's kitchen.

Safe Parking

There has been a complaint from a neighbour about parking in Wellings Close. Please can I ask that parents are thoughtful of our neighbours and ensure that you do not block entrances and also allow enough space to allow emergency vehicles to get through. I want the space around the school to be as safe for our children as possible, particularly at the start and end of the day. This means we all have to work together to do this. There is safe parking **over in the Village Playing Fields Car Park and the gates are opened each day at 7:30**. If as many parents as possible could park over there and walk over to school, across the field only a two or three minute walk, we could reduce the congestion further. I appreciate that some mornings we may be running late but if generally we allow ourselves enough time to get to school and park-up, we can all help to make the area around the school as safe as possible for our children.

Community Day

On Saturday 22nd October we will be having a 'community day' at school. We are asking for help with 'odd jobs' on the internal areas of the school. We would like as many parents, staff & governors to come into school between 9-3.30 for a couple of hours (or as long as you can spare) on this day, to help with painting/decorating & repairs etc. Teachers are making lists and we will share this with you in next week's newsletter. We will hold another day on Saturday 22nd April which will focus on the outside of the school. Please do let us know if you can help.

Company number: 7700773

Twitter at Tatworth

We now have a twitter account at school, if you would like to subscribe to our tweets, please follow us @tatworthprimary on www.twitter.com – we will also use this as another way to communicate with parents.

Vacancies

We still have one Meal Time Assistant vacancy at school Y5 on Thursday and Fridays - to start asap. The hours are 12.45 – 2.00pm. Please let us know if you might be interested in the position and pop in to school for an informal chat.

Measles Letter

Please find attached a letter from Public Health England with advice about measles.

Y6 Visit to Hinkley Point

Letters have been sent home to Y6 parents about their forthcoming visit to Hinkley Point on Tuesday 8th November. Parents are asked to give consent and payment for this visit via parentpay or at a paypoint shop.

Sports

Y5/6 V Stockand Football

Mr Bulbeck's Report: On Wednesday 28th we played two football matches against Stockland, the "A" team played first and were a mix of boys and girls, they played some fantastic football and finished comfortable winners 5-0 with goals from Sam Gr, 2, Sam D, 2 and Darcie. The "B" team also were a mixed team and played some wonderful football as well; and finished 6-0 winners with goals from Harrison, Jenson 3, Oliver & Lola. The most pleasing aspect of both games is the understanding of the philosophies and positional play that we're trying to introduce throughout the school football teams from Y3 through to Y6 and girls' teams and how quickly they are all adapting to it and producing performances to match. Well done all!

Y3/4 V Chard School Football

Mr Bulbeck's Report: On Thursday 29th we played a year 3/4 game against Chard school, it was an opportunity for me to pick players who hadn't had a game yet and see how they could perform in a game situation.. We started well and took the lead through Toby however Chard soon equalised. The game finished 1-1 but there were some very good performances notably from Joseph who made some good saves and showed good distribution and MOM Oliver who was always in the correct position to shut out any Chard attacks.

Y3/4 Girls Hockey

Mrs Churchill's Report: On Thursday the 3/4 girls had the opportunity of playing Chard School. The girls worked well but were tired by the end of the game. We need to work on tackling and staying focused. We had the opportunity for some Y3's to be introduced to a match game preparing them for future events. Unfortunately we lost - but lots of new lessons were learnt! Players, player went to Megan. Well done girls it was a tough game. Thank you to everyone behind the scenes who helped with match tea it was really appreciated and we had such respectful spectators.

Stockland Y3456 Cross Country

On Wednesday 5th October, we are taking part in the Stockland Cross Country Event. **We need a parent volunteer to help as a marshal**, please could parents let the office know if they are able to help us. We will be travelling by coach to Stockland and we will be leaving school at 2.45pm and returning for 5.30pm. Individual permission letters will be sent home today and payment can be made via parentpay or at anywhere that receives paypoint funds. The following children have qualified to take part:
Y3/4 boys: Sam G, Joseph G, Reuben, Riley J. **Y3/4 Girls:** Kendra, Poppy B, Amber, Beatriz. Non travelling reserves: Toby, Leon, Megan & Lily W.

Y5/6 boys: Finlay, James, Flynn & Sam Gr. **Y3/4 Girls:** Lola P, Lola S, Darcie & Holly G. Non travelling reserves: Lydia, Phoebe G, Jenson & Sam D. Non travelling reserves will only need to pay if they are needed to take part.

Yours sincerely



Steve Clarke
Principal

*******Dates for the Diary*******

October

Wednesday 5 th	2.45pm: Stockland Y3456 Cross Country Y5/6 Forest School/Sports Practise ST (A)
Thursday 5 th	Y3/4 Sports Practise/Forest School 5.30pm: Holyrood Open Evening
Tuesday 11 th	8.45am: Holyrood Open Morning
Wednesday 12 th	2.00pm: Y5/6 V St Johns Football (H) MT Y5/6 Girls Hockey Y5/6 Forest School
Thursday 13 th	Holyrood Open Morning 2.00pm Y3/4 V St Johns Football (H) MT Y3/4 Girls Hockey Y3/4 Forest School/Sports Practise
Tuesday 18 th	Hockey Club Cancelled
Wednesday 19 th	2.00pm: Y5/6 V Stockland Girls Hockey (H) PC Y5/6 Forest School/Sports Practise
Thursday 20 th	Y3/4 Forest School/Sports Practise
Friday 21 st	Harvest Donations/Sharing Day: KS1: 12-1.00pm: KS2: 2-3.30pm:
Saturday 22 nd	9-3.30: Community Day – volunteers needed! <i>Half Term - Monday 24th – Friday 28th</i>

*******PAFOTS Events*******

Friday 23 rd September	2.00-3.30pm: PAFOTS Meeting at school
Friday 14 th October	6.30-8.00: PAFOTS Beetledrive

*******Cake Days*******Friday
21st October, Friday 25th November, Friday 16th December.