Stapleford Community Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we welcomed our new reception class to school, and it was wonderful seeing the children come into school and to hear the buzz of excitement as the children explored their classroom and got to know their adults and friends. Across the school it has been great to see how well the children have settled into the new routines, and they are working brilliantly at showing us just how **ambitious**, **caring** and **excellent** they are in their classes too.

Learning: The class teachers have prepared a class newsletter and topic web so do look out for these on the website too.

Photographs: The photographer, Chris Page is visiting us in school on 22nd and 23rd September to take both family groups and individual photographs of the children. Please see the attached flyer for more details on how to book the images you would like, or visit <u>www.pagephotography.co.uk/pages/pre-register-now</u> and use the code: SCPS2021. On PE days, all children should come to school in their smart uniform, and if they have PE, please bring their kit in a bag that week.

Sports Clubs: Premier Sport are running 2 clubs this half term, for Y2/3, and another for Y4/Y5/Y6. All bookings should be made online. See the flier sent out earlier for how to book.

Headlice: In order to try to avoid headlice spreading, please could all children with mid or long hair tie it back. The chemist sells various lotions to try to deal with this, and regular combing of conditioned hair is known to be a very effective means of preventing the spread too.

Fun Run: I hope that you have seen the running track that was installed in April, using proceeds from last year's tremendously successful run. The Fun Run Committee have been busy planning the next event which is on the 10th October, back at the Magog Downs. The children are already practising using the 'Daily Mile' to set/beat their own targets and to build up stamina.



Term dates: These have been set for 2021-2022, with the additional day for the Queen's Jubilee allocated to Friday 22nd July. These are on the website- please do check before booking any holidays as I am unable to authorise term time holidays.

Earrings: Please note children doing PE should be able to remove their earrings before a lesson. The Local Authority PE advisor is very clear on the dangers of wearing earrings in PE lessons, and as staff are not allowed to remove earrings, they need to be taken out at home on PE days please.

Applications for school places 2021 - 2022: The Local Authority handles our admissions. See below for the important dates. If your child was born between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018, and you live in Cambridgeshire you need to apply for Reception for September 2022. Further information can be found here:

https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/children-and-families/schools-learning/apply-for-a-s chool-place/primary-reception-junior-or-middle-school

IMPORTANT DATES - Is your child:-

- Starting Primary (Reception) or Junior Schools (Year 3) for September 2022 Online application process opens 10th September 2021 and closes 15th January 2022.
- Due to transfer from Primary (Year 6) to Secondary (Year 7) for September 2022 Online application process opens **10**th **September 2021 and closes 31**st **October**.

Best Wishes,

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