





Friday 26 April 2019

Welcome back! I hope you all had a restful break and you enjoyed the wonderful sunshine we had. The summer term started in earnest yesterday and as I visited classrooms I saw children learning about St George, adding decimals, sharing snack together, reading poetry, telling the time and working hard in their RWI groups. What a busy first day!! I can't wait to see what incredible things the rest of term brings. Mrs Frampton

SCITT students

We are very pleased to have welcomed Miss Badger and Mrs Bowler from SCITT (South Coast Initial Teacher Training) to our school this week. They will be working in 2MS and 34JH on a final placement as part of their training to become a teacher.

<u>Attendance</u>

The school's attendance target is 96%.

Whole school – 94.85% - this has dropped which is really disappointing.

Year 6 - 94.84%Year 5 - 94.84%Year 4 - 94.81%Year 3 - 95.19%Year 2 - 94.52%Year 1 - 93.26%

Well done to Year 6 for being the only year group to increase this week.

Welcome back to another term at Somerford Primary School. We hope that you had a fun filled Easter holiday and are looking forward to a learning packed term. Rose and Ella, Head Girl and Deputy Head Girl Alfie and Ryan, Head Boy and Deputy Head Boy

Requests for leave in term time

A reminder that only leave for exceptional circumstances will be authorised. Family holidays do not count as exceptional circumstances and will be unauthorised. You will receive a $\pounds 60$ fine per child, per parent if you choose to go on holiday in term time.

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Local Government Reorganisation

As you will all be aware we are now part of BCP Local Authority and no longer Dorset County Council.

This shouldn't impact on you significantly but applications for secondary schools and for Reception in 2020 will be different. We will ensure you have all the information you need at the time.

There are also implications for those parents whose children have an EHCP and I have written to these parents directly. There are also changes for any family being supported by Children's Social Care and they have been written to by the team. If you have any questions about the change, please come and ask.

St George's Day

A huge thank you to Ashley and her helpers for making such delicious scones for us all to celebrate St George's Day on Tuesday.

Parents' Coffee Meeting

Many apologies for having to postpone the coffee morning- at the next one there will be bacon butties to make up for it! We are always looking for new ways to encourage more parents to attend. If you don't currently come and could tell Mr Walsh or Mrs Doherty what would change your mind, we would be very grateful. Maybe it's the timing or the day? Maybe it's the topics? Maybe you don't know anyone else who ages?

We would love to hear your thoughts.

Monday 6th May – school closed for Bank Holiday

School Grounds

We are working hard to improve the school grounds and are looking for volunteers to clear, dig, plant and drink some tea!

Please let Mrs Lucker know in reception if you can spare some time.

Thank you

The next newsletter will be on Friday 10th May 2019

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