

Friday 24th May 2024

Staffing arrangements for next year - from Mrs Wood

I'm pleased to be able to share with you details of staffing arrangements for classes from September. First, some sad news... Miss Hutton will be leaving at the end of the summer term. She has some exciting travel adventures ahead of her but we're hopeful that we'll see her again in the future. Mrs Butler will also not be returning in September as she also has an exciting new challenge teaching in an alternative provision setting. They're very lucky to be gaining Mrs Butler with her exceptional outdoor experience. Both staff will be greatly missed and we wish them all the very best for the future.

We do have some exciting news ... Mr Ryan will be joining us as our new Deputy Headteacher and we're very pleased to be supporting Mr Bell through his teacher training qualification. So the classes will be as follows:

Reception - Mrs Puddick, Mrs Kench and Mrs Walkinshaw

Year 1 - Mrs Hill, Mrs Clark and Mrs Harris

Year 2 - Miss England and Mrs Jones (Miss Curtis on maternity leave)

Year 3 - Mr Ryan and Miss Warner-Lee

Year 4 - Mr Bell, Mr Ryan and Mrs Aitken

Year 5 - Mr Prior and Mrs Murray

Year 6 - Miss Savage, Mrs Wallis and Mrs Harris

If you have any queries about the staffing for next year please email me on cwood@southill.dorset.sch.uk

Year 1 Phonics Check

The Phonics Check is administered to Year 1 pupils every year. The check is designed to help us understand your child's progress with their phonics knowledge and will take place this year during the week commencing Monday 10th June. The check is carried out by school staff in a very unobtrusive manner - it's likely the children won't even notice it's being done.

A parents' leaflet providing more information is available <u>here</u> but, as always, if there is anything specific you'd like to know, please don't hesitate to ask.

Careers-related learning

Start Small, Dream Big is a project designed to develop the understanding of older children about career prospects available to them. We want this part of our curriculum to help children learn about different jobs, to be exposed to the world of work and to learn about the different pathways they could take. This is a developing area of our curriculum which involves three main parts:

- 1. Visits and speakers coming into school: this term, we have welcomed, or have planned to welcome, visitors to talk to our Year 5 and 6 children about the building and construction industry, careers in maritime and also jobs in the railway and aviation industries. We also have planned a visit from Wey Valley students to help our pupils explore their ideas about the future a little further.
- 2. Visits out of school: an emerging area for us, but an example of what we've got planned was Year 5's trip yesterday to the Dorset Innovation Park to learn about the jobs that may be available to them in the future in the world of engineering and technology.
- 3. Indirectly from other trips and visits: the children will hear from the people they meet on their trips, such as museum education leaders, farmhands, potters, outdoor education instructors (the list is a long one) who will tell us how they have ended up in the job they are doing.

If you are interested in our work in this area, please ask me how you can get involved, or read all about it on the Dorset Careers Hub website <u>here.</u>

Moving On Up.....Year 6 to Year 7

To support parents, carers and grandparents, Dorset have created an adult education webpage full of useful resources including a short video that answers your questions on how you can help your child through the change from primary to secondary school. You can find the webpage here.

Have a great half term holiday everyone. School is shut on Monday 3rd June for staff training, so we are looking forward to seeing all our children back at school on Tuesday 4th June at 8.45.

Paul Mason

Other messages for our parents and carers



THURS 30th MAY 2024

@ Weymouth fire station 9:30am

From Ryan Bissett, tennis coach

We are pleased to announce that we are going to be running a May Half term holiday sports camp. A perfect opportunity for your child to participate in a range of sports and multi skills.

The camp will be run at The Wey Valley Tennis Centre at Wey Valley School and involve a mix of tennis, multi skills and some other sports. There will be coaching, individual and team skills and lots of games!

Wednesday 29th May

The camp will run from 9-12pm

Cost - £15

The camp is aimed for children from aged 4 up to 14.

We will have a snack break during the session and there is a possibility we may go outside for a part of the session if the weather is good.

If you would like to book your son or daughter in, please email me or send me a text which includes:

Child's name

Age

For more information Email cycleready@gmail.com

Message us on facebook https://www.facebook.com/ Contact number

Any medical conditions we need to be aware of

Payments can be made via bacs or cash.

Contact Matt to book: metennis@outlook.com 07540625887





