

## **NEWSLETTER Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

Dear Parents / Carers,

Well, the weeks are flying by...and what a funny old (and rather damp) time we have been having! Thankfully rooms are now dry, and we are back to normal. I hope that the children are feeling settled and into the swing of things.

### **LANDSCOPE LEARNERS**

In **Class One's** first Outdoor Explorers session, the children were introduced to some special rules that keep us safe when outside. What a super first Outdoor Explorers session they had!



**Class 2** have been enjoying modelling clay to explore and experiment using sculpting tools and techniques. They will apply these skills soon to making their own clay sculptures, inspired by Antony Gormley, Henry Moore and local artist Anne-Marie Scott (our guitar teacher Simon's wife!)



### **APPLE PICKING & PRESSING**

It's lovely to be able to find out about food grown in our local community – this ties in beautifully with the many discussions children and teachers have about local produce, sustainability and food miles. The children explored Sparkwell Orchard, picked, pressed apples and tasted some of the produce. Thank you to Francesca and Keefe for making this a possibility.





## SPORTS UPDATE

KS2 had a wonderful time last week at the cross-country event. All the pupils represented the school well, running to the best of their ability and cheering everyone on! We were delighted to finish 2nd place overall out of 16 schools. Well done everyone!





## SAFEGUARDING & ATTENDANCE

Attendance:

(Our school target is 96.8%)

Whole school	96.9%
Class 1	93.1%
Class 2	97.1%
Class 3	97.2%
Class 4	97.2%
Well done to Classes 3 & 4!	

If you are concerned about a child's wellbeing, please, contact the school or in non-school hours contact MASH on 0345 155 1071.

Our designated safeguarding officer is Mrs. Ryder and the deputy safeguarding officer is Mr. Ansermoz

## WELLBEING

Supporting Young Girls' Wellbeing: From managing screen time, the fear of missing out and body image, all these and more can affect the wellbeing of children.

Internet Matters have put together a great series of articles for parents and although aimed at 9–10-year-old girls, it is a worthwhile read for older and younger children, boys and girls.

[Support 9-10-year-old girls' wellbeing | Internet Matters](#)



## ETHOS, VISION & VALUES

Just a reminder that we are holding our **Harvest Festival in St Matthew's Church on Tuesday 3rd October at 9.15am**. You are all welcome to attend.

As in previous years, we would like to support our local food bank. If you are able to donate, please send in non-perishable items with your child/ren on Monday 2nd October.



## Landscape Ethos Group

Our Ethos Group supports the Christian distinctiveness of our school, helping to identify new ways in which we can develop in sympathy with our Christian character. Half termly meetings provide the forum for sharing, discussing and supporting the developments in school. We have some great discussions and a few laughs too!

We currently have the following committee members in place, with a vacancy for a Class 1 parent – if you're interested please come and see me to discuss this further.

## Membership:

Role	Current Person
Academy Head	JILL RYDER
Foundation Governor appointed to the Local Governing Board or Church representative	Vacancy Rev Laura on sabbatical
Representative Governor	GRACE COLES
Staff representative responsible for RE/Collective Worship	ANNA NEVILLE
Parent representative*, with the aim of 1 Class Parent representative from each of the 4 classes  *this may rise to 2 when children move year groups	Class 1 vacancy Class 2 Rebecca Drew & Rachel Baber Class 3 Rachel Baber & Becky Honour Class 4 Michelle Pearse / Grace Coles – but vacancy should you be interested
Chair of PTFA	MICHELLE PEARSE
Community representative	CHRISTINE PASCOE

Please see website for further details:

[https://www.landscape.thelink.academy/web/landscape\\_ethos\\_group/388560](https://www.landscape.thelink.academy/web/landscape_ethos_group/388560)

## COMING UP- DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Oct</b>	<b>Harvest Festival 9:15 @ St Matthew's</b>
<b>9<sup>th</sup> -13<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>	<b>Musical Arts Week with Kip Pratt</b> <b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2.30 Concert</b> parents invited to celebrate arts week
<b>12<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>	<b>Y6 Life skills event @ Totnes Pavilions</b>
<b>16<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>	<b>Y5/6 Basket Ball tournament – details TBC</b>
<b>17<sup>th</sup> &amp;19<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>	<b>Parent consultations - details will be sent by Mrs Grant nearer the time</b>
<b>20<sup>th</sup> Oct</b>	<b>Break up for half term</b>
<b>14<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	<b>Muslim Cultural Champion, Souad Fadel visiting KS2</b>
<b>27<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	<b>Years 1&amp;2 Gymnastics festival</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Dec</b>	<b>FOLS Christmas fair</b>
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	<b>Classes 1&amp;2 Christmas Performance 2.00pm in St Matthew's Church, followed by refreshments in the school hall</b>  <b>KS2 Performance 1 (usually attended by Class 3 families) 6.00pm St Matthews</b>
<b>7<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	<b>KS2 Performance 2 (usually attended by Class 4 families) 6.00pm St Matthews</b>
<b>15<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	<b>1.15 end of term carol service, bring your singing voices to St Matthew's!</b> <b>End of term 2pm</b>

That's all the news for now.

Have a good weekend.

*Jill Ryder.*