

"Working, Learning and Achieving Together"

NEWSLETTER 1 Friday 10th September

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the new school year! It has been wonderful to see all your happy smiling children coming into school and settling into their new classes. A warm welcome to all our new families. The staff team and I are really excited to be back and have lots of wonderful learning opportunities planned for this term. I know how vital working in partnership with parents is in order for children to find school a positive and rewarding experience. If you have any concerns, worries or thoughts please do speak to your child's class teacher or myself. The weekly newsletter will include important messages, dates and news from the school, I hope that you find it useful.

Finally, thank you for the warm welcome you have given me this week, it has been great to meet the Warbstow families and I already feel part of the school community.

I hope you have a lovely weekend. Mrs Bancroft

Music Lessons

Our music lessons will start on Wednesday 15th September. All of our KS2 children will enjoy either learning to play the cello/violin or take part in Samba drumming workshops. Barbara and Kari provide the lessons in schools and we look forward to welcoming them back next week. If your child takes part in individual music lessons these will also start on Wednesday.

Swimming lessons

Wednesday 15th September will also be the start of swimming lessons. This term Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 will attend swimming lessons at Launceston Swimming Pool. Years 5, 6 and Reception will attend their lessons in the Spring term. Please see the separate letter that provides more information and ensure that you give your consent via ParentPay by Tuesday 14th September. Unfortunately, without your consent, your child will be unable swim.

Dates for your calendar

We are finalising important dates for this half term and will send these home with next week's newsletter. They will also be published on the school website for easy reference.

After School Clubs

We know how important after school clubs are to the children and we will be starting the clubs in the coming weeks, they are a super opportunity for your children to take part in activities outside of the curriculum. Please look out for further information and how to sign up, it will be coming home in the coming weeks.

Lunches

Please order all lunches for next week by 5pm on Sunday.

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Free School Meals and the Pupil Premium Grant

Families who receive certain benefits may be eligible for Pupil Premium funding and a daily Free School Meal for their children. By applying for Free School Meals, school will receive **£1,345 per year** <u>additional</u> funding in the form of Pupil Premium for your child. This is an invaluable source of income to school in times when budgets are being drastically reduced.

If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, you must still complete an application form for school to receive the Pupil Funding, even though your child receives Universal Free School Meals.

If you are in receipt of one of the following benefits, please visit XXX to register, this is the quickest and easiest way to apply.

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more that £7,400
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190
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Here is the link to apply for FSM Free School Meal Application

Gardening Club

It's Good to Grow is a token collection scheme that allows schools to collect for free gardening equipment to get kids outdoors and growing. Between 6th September and 24th October 2021 for every £10 spent in store or online at Morrisons customers will automatically receive one Grow Token to donate to your chosen school.

You'll need to be a MyMorrisons customer to take part so make sure you download the app and select a school to donate your Grow Tokens to.

Finally, don't forget to scan your app or MyMorrisons card at checkout every time you shop to receive your Grow Tokens. Once you've selected a school, you'll be able to donate your Grow Tokens to them.

From 24th October, they'll be able to redeem the Grow Tokens they've collected against a range of growing and gardening equipment for school.

