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Starting Year R in September 2018

If you have a child who is due to join us in September and you did not attend the meeting on Tuesday, please can you go to the school office to collect your child's transition pack. Office staff will be able to talk you through the pack.

Reading Challenge 2018

Many congratulations to the following children in Year 1 and 2 who have successfully blasted off along the reading challenge and read 150 times at home with no stops along the way. Their achievement will be celebrated in assembly on Monday 18 June.:

Rudy Jones – Eagles' Class, Megan Gosden – Eagles' Class, Annabelle Prothero – Kestrels' Class, Jack Pettit – Owls' Class, Dylan Netting – Owls' Class, Natalya Cook – Owls' Class, Robyn Branscombe – Owls' Class, Elsie Calvert – Owls' Class, Keenan Newman – Owls' Class, Amelia Golder – Owls' Class, Molly Warwick – Doves' Class, Florence Berry – Doves' Class, Grace Mandrill – Doves' Class, Luke Ramus – Woodpeckers' Class, Abigail Barber – Woodpeckers' Class, Isaac Griffiths – Woodpeckers' Class, Annabelle Wilcox – Woodpeckers' Class, Vinnie McMillan – Blackbirds' Class, and Jessica Bell - Blackbirds' Class

There is still plenty of time to complete the reading challenge before the end of the term so keep reading everyone.

School Uniform

A reminder that we do still have some uniform in stock and these are available at a lower price:

- PE T-shirts in all sizes: £5.75
- All items in size 30" Cardigans -£10.60, sweatshirts £8.60 and polo shirts £6.60
- 1 x 32" polo shirt £6.60
- Limited number of jumpers and cardigans in size 24"

If you wish to purchase any of these items, these are available from the school office. Please note that once these items have gone, we will not be replacing them.

Scooter Challenge: Monday 18 June – Friday 22 June

The challenge is to get as many children as possible scooting to school every day next week. Two or more schools will win a Scooterpod and two pupils from the overall county winning school will win a scooter. Everyone participating will receive a My Journey sticker and there are vouchers for family days out up for grabs!

The children have today taken home a chart for you to record their weekly journey to school, and colour in on the other side.

Top tips for safe scooting

- 1. Pedestrians have priority on the pavement
- 2. Stay close to your parent/carer
- 3. Be aware of other people using the pavement and be polite and considerate to them
- 4. Take extra care when crossing vehicle entrance/exit points e.g. driveways, and remember that the person there first (car driver, cyclist, pedestrian etc.) has priority
- 5. Keep away from the kerb
- 6. Look all around before you start moving, stop moving or change direction, and look where you are going
- 7. Wear a helmet and bright, fluorescent clothing to ensure you can be seen

- 8. Walk with your scooter when crossing the road and when in crowded busy areas
- 9. Carry things in a rucksack, not balanced on the handlebars
- 10. The Highway Code tells us that the speed limit on the pavement is 4mph!

11. FINALLY, PLEASE GET OFF YOUR SCOOTER WHEN YOU REACH THE SCHOOL GROUNDS AND WALK

Change of Name

Please note that from September, for personal reasons, Mrs Keay will be known as Miss House.

Payment for School Trips/Visits

As I am sure the children will have told you, they all thoroughly enjoy the trips and visits that we provide for them. Unfortunately, we do have to ask for parental contributions for these events. This year a larger than usual number of parents have not made a contribution leaving the school with a large outstanding balance to pay. If you have indicated that you were paying online but have yet to do so, this is still possible. We are also still happy to receive late payments of cash or cheques. Please be aware that if a significant number of parents do not pay for trips and visits we will be unable to offer visits next year and this would be very sad for the children.

Request for Spare Girls' Pants

We are keen to ensure that "little accidents" are rectified with a minimum of discomfort or embarrassment and in order to do this, would like to ensure that we have a variety of spare clothes.

We are currently very short of girls' pants aged 4/5 and aged 5/6 and summer dresses of all ages. If you have any of these items that your child has outgrown, then these would be gratefully received by the school. As a precaution it might be worth popping a spare of pants in your child's book bag until stock levels rise! Many thanks.

Year 2 Local Walk: Thursday 21 June

As part of their geography topic the children will be doing a comparative study of Purbrook Village. To enhance their learning, the children will be undertaking a local walk on Thursday. If your child has a dentist/doctor's appointment which will take place during the scheduled time of the class walk please see your child's class teacher.

- Owls' Class leaving school at 9.00am and returning at approximately 10.00am
- Kestrels' Class leaving school at 10.00am and returning at approximately 11.00am
- Eagles' Class leaving school at 11.00am and returning at approximately 12.00pm

Reporting Absence

A reminder that as well as telephoning the school, you can also report your child's absence via a company called **Studybugs** which enables you to go online via a phone or computer to report your child's absence securely. To get the free Studybugs app, or register on their website go to (<u>https://studybugs.com/about/parents</u>). If your child is unwell it is your responsibility to inform the school of this.

Lunch Menu

Next Week's Menu will be: Week 3. Please click on the following link to access the menu online: <u>menu</u>. Paper copies are on the notice boards by the North Door and the South Door and in Wagtails' Class window.

Yours sincerely

Mrs L A de Carteret Headteacher