

Parent Bulletin

A Message from the Headteacher: Mrs. J.G. Prentice



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thankfully the weather has cooled down somewhat as we were literally all melting at school in recent weeks!

Thank you for your understanding in postponing our Race for Life event, as we didn't think it was wise for children to be running in such heat. The event will however, now take place this **Friday 30th June**. Please therefore don't forget children can come dressed in pink or blue and bring their dedicated signs as well as their sponsorship forms. This is always a successful event so we very much look forward to it again this year. All money raised will be donated to Cancer Research UK.

Only 3.5 weeks left, until the summer holidays, but we have many things to squееееееze in this term. Please ensure you look at the diary dates at the end of this parent bulletin, for the most up-to-date version just in case there are any changes.

Thank you for your continued support.



NEW HEAD OF SCHOOL

As you have already been made aware, in September I will be working as Executive Headteacher for Swale Academies Trust for their Eastbourne hub of primary schools. In addition, I will continue working at Langney Primary School, as Executive Headteacher.

Although Langney is not an academy and governors have not made any decision towards becoming one, Langney will become a lead associate school formally supporting the development of practice in other schools. This is a great opportunity for our school to spread our successes in order to benefit a greater number of pupils across Eastbourne.

In addition to myself as Executive Headteacher, Langney will also have a 'Head of School.' Many people have asked what the difference is between a 'Head of School' and 'Headteacher.' To clarify, a Head of School has slightly more responsibility than a Deputy Headteacher but less than a Headteacher. Ultimate accountability and final decision making still rests with the Executive Headteacher.

The new Head of School will essentially support the day-to-day management and smooth running of the school whereas my role will be more strategic across all of our partner schools. Although my presence at the school will be less, I will still be working hard behind the scenes to provide support and challenge to key leaders at the school to ensure we continue to provide nothing but the best for our pupils. I will also be co-ordinating professional development for staff and facilitating working collaboratively across schools. We have worked tirelessly over the past four years to create a school in a league of its own, and will continue to do so. Mrs. Banner's and Mrs. Compton's roles will remain unchanged.

I am delighted to announce that our new Head of School will be **Mr. Bowles**. Mr. Bowles will begin with us in September but you may see him this term also, as part of his induction, to become familiar with the school. Mr. Bowles is very much looking forward to meeting everyone and together, I am confident we will continue to ensure our school builds upon its strengths and move from 'good' to 'great.'

MOVING UP DAY



KEEP
CALM
IT IS
MOVING UP
DAY

Whilst Year 6 visit their new secondary schools on **Tuesday 4th July** as part of transition, the remainder of Langney children will be finding out who their new teacher is for next year! The children will have the opportunity to spend the first part of the morning with their **new** teacher in their **new** classroom. The next Parent Bulletin will coincide on this day so parents too learn who their child's new teacher is (just in case the children forget teacher names which can be easily done!).

As part of our regular in-school transition programme, current teachers will also have the opportunity to meet with their class' new teacher. At these meetings teachers share the academic attainment and progress of every child as well as pass on any other relevant information.

There will be an opportunity to meet your child's new class teacher in the Autumn Term however should you want an earlier meeting due to an exceptional reason, please do not hesitate to contact the office to arrange an appointment. Thank you.

STAFF FAREWELLS

STAFF
NEWS



Mrs. Plummer

We are sorry to say that Mrs. Plummer (current Year 5 teacher) will be leaving us at the end of July.

Mrs. Plummer has been teaching with us for the past three years and has been an absolute super star. She will be missed incredibly by staff, pupils and parents.

Mrs. Plummer has decided to take a break from teaching. She will be working part-time at Lewes prison as a librarian, where she will also be supporting prisoners with strategies to learn to read.

I am trying my best to convince her that she would like to work at Langney as a supply teacher, if needed, so we may have the pleasure of seeing her again from time to time. Please join me in wishing her the absolute best for the future.

Miss Cairns

In addition, Miss Cairns (Teaching Assistant and Phonics Intervention Lead) will also be leaving us at the end of July.

Miss Cairns has always immersed herself in any role given and her positivity will be sorely missed. In addition to helping the school to achieve incredible phonic screening results, Miss Cairns will also be missed by many pupils at Breakfast Club, Twilights Club and our EYFS Sunset Club. Miss Cairns also ran our 'Messy Creations' after school club and you may have even see her covering the front desk from time to time.

Miss Cairns is saddened to be leaving Langney Primary School but is very much looking forward to her new career training to become a midwife. She will be fab!

TRY IT TUESDAY



As part of our Health and Wellbeing initiative, children have had the opportunity to try a different healthy food each Tuesday. Blueberries and Courgette Spaghetti so far!

A huge thank you to Tesco who have sponsored us and provide us with food for pupils to sample. Please ask your child each week what they have tried as they may like it!

HELP URGENTLY NEEDED



As a school, we are changing the way our Key Stage 2 select books to read. Instead of colour bands (which will remain for EYFS and KS1 pupils), books will also identify the 'lexile score.' The lexile score for a book is based upon how difficult that book is, based on text complexity and vocabulary.

Mrs. Storer has been given the task of looking up the lexile score for EVERY book in school and putting a sticker on the spine of each book to show its level! We are worried however, this won't be finished before September so we need your help! It's a BIG job!

If you have any spare mornings or afternoons, we would love to hear from you. This secretarial task, once finished, will support pupils to identify books more appropriately to their ability which will ultimately lead to better progress in Reading.

We do however, need a team of people. If you can help, please let Mrs. Prentice know!!!

BABY NEWS



We are delighted to announce that both **Miss Harwood and Mrs. Doherty** will be going on maternity at the end of Term 1, to have a baby. How exciting to have our Langney family extended even further!

As teacher recruitment is difficult at that time, to ensure continuity for classes next year we have decided to appoint new teachers to replace Miss Harwood and Mrs. Doherty starting from September. Miss Harwood and Mrs. Doherty will however, continue to work in Term 1 and be deployed to support teaching and learning.

Please join me by wishing them both many congratulations.

SAINSBURY VOUCHERS

Sainsbury's

Please note the last day for Sainsbury vouchers is this Friday 30th June. Please ensure if you have any vouchers they are brought into school by this date. Thank you.

Key Dates For Your Diary

Please note these dates are correct at the time of publication but will be updated on a weekly basis. If Fabulous Finish dates are not shown here, please note this is because they have not yet been confirmed.

TERM 6 2017

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Monday 26 th June	ALL DAY	St. Andrew's Sports Day Challenge (Invited pupils only)
Tuesday 27 th June	3:45 – 4:15pm	'Glee' After School Club Performance to Parents (in Mrs. Plummer's Classroom)
Tuesday 27 th June	2:45 – 3:00pm	Year 5 & 6 Fabulous Finish
Wednesday 28 th June	9:00 – 11:00am	ASD Support Group for Parents (Invited parents only)
Wednesday 29 th June	5:00pm	Transition Information Event for Parents of Pupils Moving from Reception to Year 1
Thursday 29 th June	9:30 – 10:30am	New To Reception Stay and Play Session (for pupils starting Reception in September 2017)
Friday 30 th June	8:30 – 8:50am	Friends of Langney Bacon Roll Sale
Friday 30 th June	ALL DAY	Nursery Open Day (Nursery open for prospective parents to visit)
Friday 30 th June	3:15 – 5:00pm	Year 1 Disco
Monday 3 rd July	9:30 – 11:00am	New To Reception Stay and Play Session (for pupils starting Reception in September 2017)
Monday 3 rd July	9:00am – 12:30pm	Year 2 Engineering Challenge (Invited pupils only)
Tuesday 4 th July	ALL DAY	Year 6 Transition Day (Year 6 pupils spend the day at their new secondary school)
Tuesday 4 th July	AM	Moving Up Morning (Children spend the morning with their new class teacher for September 2017)
Tuesday 4 th July	9:00am – 1:00pm	South Downs Area Summer Activity Festival (Invited pupils only)
Wednesday 5 th July	9:00 – 9:30am	ASD Support Group for Parents: Managing Fighting and Aggression (Invited parents only)
Friday 7 th July	3:15 – 5:00pm	Year Reception Disco
Monday 10 th July	2:00 – 3:00pm	New To Reception Stay and Play Session (for pupils starting Reception in September 2017)
Tuesday 11 th July	ALL DAY	Year 4 Trip to Fishbourne Roman Palace
Tuesday 11 th July	6:00pm start	Production Club Performance for Parents
Wednesday 12 th July	6:00pm start	Production Club Performance for Parents
Wednesday 12 th July	9:00 – 11:00am	ASD Support Group for Parents: Good Bedtime Routines (Invited parents only)
Thursday 13 th July	ALL DAY	Reception Trip to Blackberry Farm
Thursday 13 th July	ALL DAY	Year 1 Trip to Sea Life Centre, Brighton
Thursday 13 th July	10:00am – 12:00pm	Year 3 Fabulous Finish at Cineworld
Friday 14 th July	8:30 – 8:50am	Friends of Langney Bacon Roll Sale
Friday 14 th July	6:00 – 9:00pm	Year 6 Prom
Sunday 16 th July	11:00am	Flashmob Dance at Eastbourne Pier
Tuesday 18 th July	9:00 – 11:00am	Course for ALL parents on 'Managing Fighting and Aggression.'
Tuesday 18 th July	ALL DAY	Year 5 Trip to Princes Park and Beach
Wednesday 19 th July	9:00 – 10:30am	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly
Wednesday 19 th July	LAST DAY OF TERM 6 – NO TWILIGHTS OR CLUBS THIS DAY	



'Moving Forward Together'