

# Newsletter No 38

7<sup>th</sup> July 2023

#### **New Classes**

We are drawing to the end of an amazing school year and we are preparing for our 'Bump up Day' where children spend the day with their new teacher/TA for September. At this time of year, we understand that children and parents are really keen to hear about their new classes for September. This week you will have received a letter regarding your child/children's new class and teacher. On Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July children will get the chance to spend the day with their new teacher in their new classroom (please drop ad pick your child up at their usual classrooms on this day). As a school we have a robust transition in place and bump up day is a big part of that. The teachers and teaching assistants will do all that they can to make the transition day fun and reassuring so that our children are really looking forward to September without any worries.

Please note that the current Osprey class will be meeting their new teacher on the 21st of July.

## Values - Appreciation

This week I asked a few children what they were appreciative of.

'I appreciate my sister Emilie because she lets me play on her iPad and my mum because she takes me shopping and looks after me.' -Georgie

'I appreciate my sister Mia because she always wants to make sure I am okay and wants to do things with me.' -Kaiden

'I appreciate my family because they are incredibly helpful for me'. – Paolo

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July – Early Finish On the last day of term, the children finish at 1.10pm There is no after school club on this day. Walk-home permission is as usual.

## Safeguarding Update - Breakfast Club Drop Off.

If you have a child attending Breakfast Club, please ensure that you are bringing them to the KS1 door. This needs to happen to confirm that those children that are booked on are attending. We have strict guidance on adult to child ratios and need to adhere to this to ensure the children are kept safe.

#### **Snapchat**

The use of Snapchat is restricted to those over the age of 13. We cannot stress enough how important it is for children not to be on these communication platforms. Snapchat poses dangers for young children due to the amount of inappropriate content sharing, cyberbullying, and explicit images. Please ensure your children are not using Snapchat and that you carefully monitor their usage of electronic devices.



#### **Old Uniform**

With the current cost of living crisis, we understand that families may be finding the rising costs is impacting the household finances. As a school we want to do all we can to support our local community. If you have any school uniform that your child has outgrown, please bring them into school on the morning of Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July and place them on the tables outside of school. We will then leave these out for parents to take what they need at the end of the school day.

### **Sports Day**

Unfortunately, the weather caused us to postpone Sports Day. We have been made aware that a number of our Military parents will not be allowed to leave barracks on the 11<sup>th</sup> July as they have a designated training day. As the majority of our parents are Military, we have made the decision to move Sports Day to Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July. We apologise for any inconvenience and fully understand that this change may not



suit everybody. We look forward to seeing you on the 17<sup>th</sup> For a fun filled morning of events (weather permitting).

#### **Leaving Zouch Academy**

If you are due to move away from the area and your child will be leaving Zouch Academy, please complete our leavers form available at the school office, as soon as possible.

This will enable us to collate your child's books and class work for their new school, it also informs us of the school we need to contact to forward on your child's information.

## September 2023 Meal Bookings

The menu is now live for September. Please book on your parent pay accounts by **Friday 21**<sup>st</sup> **July**. If your child does not have a meal booked by this date, your child **must** have a home packed lunch for the first week back.

#### **Zouch Facebook Page**

This page was set up to inform parents of any last-minute changes as well as emailing, and it was really useful during lockdown

If you have any worries or concerns about your child then please contact the school office to make an appointment to speak to Mrs Johnson or Mr Morris.

Any communication on there should be positive and adhere to our school values and our parental code of conduct as this has a section referencing to online interactions too.

We are our children's biggest role models and how we act influences our children hugely.

Thank you in advance for your support with this.

Treat a child as though he already is the person he's capable of becoming.

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Future dates for your diary:

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July – Kestrel Recorder Concert to Parents at 2.30pm KS2 Hall

Wed 12<sup>th</sup> July- Wrens and Tawny Owls visit to Tidworth Library

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July – Reception trip to The Watercress Line

Friday 14th July - Bump up day

Monday 17th July – Sports Day (Weather permitting)

Tuesday 18th July - Year 4 Jungle Johnathan

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July – Puffins Trip to Riverbourne Farm

Thursday 20th July - Year 3 Dance Performance 9.15AM

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers Performance 2PM Year 6 Leavers Disco 5PM

Friday 21st July - Year 6 Leavers Assembly 2PM

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July – End of Summer Term, Finish at 13.10pm

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> and Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September – Teacher Training Days, School closed to children

Tuesday 5th September - School Open for Children