Stoke by Nayland C of E Primary School Newsletter - 7th January 2022

Dear Parents & Carers,

What a lovely welcome back it has been to see so many children enthusiastic and ready to return to school and their learning. Despite the cold and frosty mornings there have been lots of excited and smiling faces. We would like to take this opportunity as a whole staff team to wish you all a very Happy New Year. With just three days back in school the children are already getting to grips with the New Little Wandle phonics sessions taking place in both Saplings and Chestnut plus Oak class have begun to learn about the Roman invasions. Well done to all of the children already identified as clearly being ambassadors for our school learning big ideas of Reflect, Persevere and Focus. It is lovely to see the children already focused on their learning - Well done.

Cookery Club - Monday 10th January

An email was sent out this week to parents and carers regarding cookery club. If your child was on the waiting list from last term, their place is already secure. We have some open places for any children who may wish to join cookery club for this term. The menu is the same as it was previously. Please let the office know if your child is interested in joining cooking club. There is a £6 payment for the six weeks to cover the cost of ingredients, which will need to be made before the first session. This is payable on the School Gateway app or via the Office. Thank you.

Contacting the School

We ask that all parents and carers, if contacting the school via email, please utilise the admin@sbn.suffolk.sch.uk email account. Communication to parents is sent from a Gmail account that is not regularly checked. The above email address is active and will ensure that any queries or concerns are dealt with quickly. Alternatively, parents and carers can call directly through to the Office.

We also have email addresses set up for any COVID related test results - covid@sbn.suffolk.sch.uk and Safeguarding@sbn.suffolk.sch.uk. Thank you.

Cinderella Pantomime - Friday January 14th

A letter was emailed to parents today regarding the Cinderella Pantomime trip next week. We have included details provided to us from the theatre on how they are ensuring everyone's safety at this time and precautions we have also taken to make sure the children will have fun and also be protected. We are leaving the school by coach at 10:15, the show will finish by 2:20 and we are hoping to be back at the school by 3:30. Please provide lunch for your child if you have not opted in for a school issued packed lunch, they will be eating it at the theatre once we arrive.

New Phonics Scheme - Parent Introduction

We look forward to seeing Saplings and Chestnut Parents for our Introduction to the New Phonics Scheme session at 9.15am on 17th January. During this session we will be talking about how you will be able to support your child and the expectations of the scheme. We do however, understand that attendance may not be possible for some families and will be sending out the PowerPoint and links to the videos after the event. There will be an opportunity at the end of the session to ask questions. We ask that if you are attending the session that you lateral flow test before attending to help keep everyone safe.

Volunteer/s Wanted

We would like to run a children's university Club every Wednesday after school. The club will follow activities from the Children's University and give the children an opportunity to work towards their Bronze, Silver or Gold Children's University Award. Currently we have a parent who is willing to support someone else to run this club but we need someone who is willing to lead the club. This would entail collecting the items required to do each activity and planning which activities to do from the wide selection offered by the Children's University. If you would like to volunteer, please do talk to Mrs McGrath-Wells.

Queen's Jubilee

As part of the Queens Jubilee the children will not be in school on Friday 18th February. However, on Thursday 17th February we will be having a whole School focus on the Queen culminating in a Street party in the hall. More details to follow.

Diary Dates

- 14th January Cinderella Pantomime at Bury St Edmunds#
- 17th January 9:15am Introductory talk for EYFS & KS1 Parents about "Little Wandle Reading Scheme"
- 17th February School Celebration for Queen's Jubilee
- 18th February Bank holiday for the Queen's Jubilee
- 21st 25th February Half term

Mr Andrew Frolish

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Mrs Kelly McGrath-Wells

Head of School