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## *Newsletter 22*

Dear Parents & Carers,

Unbelievably, there are only four and a half weeks left until the end of the academic year and how quickly the year seems to have gone at Stoborough School!

### **A generous donation**

Every two years, we are privileged to have our very own village panto skilfully produced and directed by Lyn Burgess and supported by familiar community members. If you managed to purchase tickets and attend the panto earlier this year you would have had a thoroughly good night out! Lyn and the panto committee have, again, given us a very generous donation of £1,500. This year, we are hoping to add a natural play area in the field for all pupils to enjoy so the funds are very welcome indeed.

Well done to all the Stoborough pupils, parents and staff that took part - you were amazing! Thank you again to Lyn Burgess for bringing the community together in such a special way.

We are still on a mission to purchase IT equipment for the children and have been looking into grants and charity donations to support us. If you know of any businesses or charitable foundations that may be able to support with this and other school projects, please do get in touch with me.

### **Staffing structure for 2018 – 2019**

#### **Farewells**

Mr McEwen (Y6 class teacher) has been with us for the past four years and has contributed greatly to the growth and development of Art across the school as well as to support children with their general learning in KS2. Mr McEwen has now decided this is the right time for him and his family to focus on other things in life and will therefore be retiring and leaving us at the end of the summer term. I am hoping Mr McEwen will visit us from time to time as a guest artist and will continue to offer guidance on the Art learning in the school. Thank you for contributing greatly to our school Mr McEwen – you have made a positive difference to the quality of learning and art work across the whole school.

Mrs Storey joined us three years ago although she was on maternity leave for most of the last academic year. Mrs Storey has a young family and as well as working much closer to her home, she will be spending further time with her young children. Thank you Mrs Storey for always being so positive, smiley and happy in your work!

Mrs Lever (Y2 teaching assistant) has been with us for 17 years and has decided that the time is right to do more things with her husband and other family members. Mrs Lever has been absolutely wonderful to work with; always professional, patient, kind and encouraging and with a wealth of knowledge of the curriculum – she is going to be missed greatly.

We wish Mr McEwen, Mrs Storey and Mrs Lever every happiness for the future as they begin their new adventures!

I am delighted to introduce Mr Jamie Patrick and Mr Daniel Bishop who have been appointed to join the teaching team from September. Mr Clive Moir will join our excellent teaching assistant team.

After careful consideration, the teaching structure for 2018 – 2019 will be:

<b>Year group</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	<b>Teaching Assistant</b>
Reception	Mrs Beccy Spicer	Mrs Sam Nurser (PT) Mrs Rosie Bird-Hawkins (PT)
Y1	Mrs Tina Hallisey	Mrs Sue Pollock
Y2	Mr Daniel Bishop	Mrs Karen Hall
Y3	Miss Claire Sweeney	Miss Louise Gwinnett
Y4	Ms Jane Andrews	Mrs Claire Young
Y5	Mr Jamie Patrick	Mr Clive Moir
Y6	Mr Matt Rowland	Miss Lisa Mullane

Mrs Derrick has decided to reduce her teaching hours next year and will therefore be working with us in a slightly different way, using her strengths and knowledge of Science and Maths particularly. We are delighted she will still be in school supporting us in her own unique way! Thank you Mrs Derrick!

Transition morning will be on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July. All pupils will move into their new classroom and meet their new teacher and teaching assistant(s) during the morning.

### **Events coming up**

#### ***Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June - Tate Stoborough***

The school will be open to all parents, family, friends and local community members to view the art work of the children. Open sessions will be 9 – 10am and 3 – 4:30pm so please do come along and see the lovely creative work the children have produced during the year. Additionally, there will be another parent participation creative session with the Y6 pupils. This was so popular last year that we felt we would like to offer you the opportunity to create with us again! This will start at 10am and will be for about 1 hr. Further details of this session will be given by Mr McEwen next week – first come, first served!

#### ***Week beginning 3<sup>rd</sup> July – tennis for all***

The tennis season has started and Wimbledon is fast approaching! To get into the spirit of all things tennis, all pupils will be given additional tennis sessions with our specialist tennis coach, Mr Davies. Tennis sessions will take place during curriculum time. We hope the children will learn new skills and enjoy this wonderful sport during the tennis season.

#### ***Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July – Stoborough School Summer Fete***

The PTFA are working extremely hard to make this another very successful fete and have organised for some great entertainment during the afternoon and evening. Please sign up to help on the day as the fete cannot run unless we have people to help on the stalls and activities. The signing board is outside the school office or alternatively, you can contact the office to ask about availability. The summer fete has a great atmosphere and is a real community event - something all can enjoy. Please do come along and help raise funds for the children of Stoborough School and have fun along the way!

***Week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> July – Literary Week***

Teachers have been busy organising a range of learning linked to enriching language, developing interests in different authors and in writing creatively for a range of purposes. We have an international story teller/author coming into school on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> and he will be performing to the whole school at the start of the day and then working with individual classes – how exciting!

***Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July – Grandparents tea on the lawn***

We greatly value our extended school family members (grandparents) and warmly invite them (sorry no parents on this occasion) to attend Tea on the Lawn with their grandchildren. This will be from 2 – 3:30pm and further details on how to book will be sent by the office staff. This was extremely popular last year and has such a lovely atmosphere – we do hope you will all be able to join us again this summer!

***Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July – lunch on the lawn*** for all pupils and staff

Pupils and staff will all be having a cold picnic style lunch on the front lawn. We do not usually get to eat together so this will be a real treat for us and so lovely to have all ages eating together and chatting together. Details will follow.

As you can see we continue to be very busy right up to the end of term with lots to look forward to and enjoy!

***Finally...***

Thank you for everything you have done to contribute to the school and for working with us so positively throughout the year. Several of you have volunteered and taken on roles and responsibilities within school and this has been very much appreciated – you have done a brilliant job and we hope you will return in the autumn term to continue to support us!

The children continue to develop and shine in all sorts of ways and we are proud of them all. The school continues to strive to deliver a rich and varied education for the children and to offer a range of opportunities to further develop their interests and passions. I class myself as very fortunate in having such fantastic and interesting children to work with and a staff team who are second to none... thank you to you all for your continued support in all aspects of school life.

With warmest wishes,

***Deborah Corbin***  
***Headteacher***