



# Lew Trenchard C of E Primary School

Weekly Newsletter – 20<sup>th</sup> September 2019



*Together We Grow in Wisdom and Serve with Joy*

Dear Parents/carers

Another busy week at school in the sunshine, the children have settled back after their summer holiday brilliantly. We are also very proud of how well our Reception pupils have settled in.

**Uniform Sale** - All new uniform is still available online from Wovina. We will be keeping a small stock of the new PE t-shirts at school, available to buy via SchoolMoney. We have reduced the price of the old logo stock we have at school, please purchase this via SchoolMoney.

Sweatshirts £9.50 now £6.00

Polo shirts £8.00 now £5.00

Old style cotton pe t-shirt £5.25 now £3.00

Fleece jacket £13.00 now £8.00

Beanie hats £3.95 now £1.50

Book bag £3.10 now £2.00

Back Pack £8.00 now £6.00

**Toddler Group** – Toddlers next week will be **TIN FOIL PAINTING**. Please see the website/Facebook page or ask Justine for the activities list for the rest of the term. This is a lovely group of parents and toddlers/babies, which meet on Mondays during term time with the fantastic Justine, with a love of messy play, it is usually a good idea to bring along a change of clothes! Each session is £2.00 and takes place in the Yes Tor between 9.00am and 11.00am. Please bring your own snack.

**Junior Life Skills Tuesday 24th September** – Year 6 children have an afternoon at Okehampton leisure centre next week, thank you to those who have offered to drive – Mr Elliott will make arrangements with you regarding travel etc. The children will need to have lunch before they leave (at 12.15pm), can we therefore ask that they come to school in their P.E kit, with a packed lunch in order for them to be ready in good time.

**Guitar lessons** – As we said last term, Mark Wilson will be unable to take on Guitar lessons due to a clash of commitments. We have another Guitar Teacher from Okehampton, who will be coming in to introduce himself in Collective Worship **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September!**

**Data Sharing and Consent Forms** – These forms went out last week. Please could we ask that *every child* has had one of these filled in and returned to the office as soon as possible please. If you have any queries over what information is used etc, please see the office or email and arrange a time to discuss this.

**Breakfast Club** – A reminder that breakfast club starts at 8.15am, and it is now held in Yes Tor at present. Access is via the side gate just up from Great Links Tor. To enable us to do a cooked breakfast on a Thursday breakfast club will be in the main hall – please make sure you book for a Thursday so we know how many children to cook for. Thank you.

**After School Clubs** - Mondays (starting 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept) – Mrs Thorp and Matt will be running an art club for pupils in Year 4 and up.

Wednesdays – Taekwondo, Thursdays – Plymouth Argyle Football and Fridays (starting next week) – Book Club – Miss Davy.

**Class Dojo** – Letters have gone home last week with information regarding the new Class Dojo system. We hope that once this is up and running successfully, we will be able to send home newsletters using this system. We would like to invite all parents to an information morning on the 9<sup>th</sup> October at 9.15am in school, to show everybody how to use the Class Dojo, and answer any questions you have regarding the new system. If you have not yet signed up, please speak to your child/children's teacher or Miss Davy who will be happy to help you.

**FLS AGM** – The Friends of Lew Trenchard are holding their Annual Meeting after school (3.30pm) on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September in the school hall. All parents welcome and new ideas please. We are looking for new committee members, come and get involved.

**Early Bird Readers** – This week we had a very successful Early Bird Readers for all school children, it was lovely to see, and we look forward to doing this every Thursday morning. On these days Early Readers and parents can enter via the main door of the school. All parents will be asked to sign in on arrival at the classroom so that in the event of a fire we know who is in the building. The school bell will still ring at 9.00am, so that any children not attending Early Readers can line up and will be taken into school with a teacher.

**Houses** – To promote team work and collaboration, we have set up school houses, and sent letters home this week with details of which house your child/ren will be in. Siblings will be in the same house. The houses are named after local rivers and are: Lyd (Red), Wolf (Blue), Thrushel (Yellow) and Lew (Green).

**SchoolMoney Payments** – A reminder that all payments for School Dinners should be made in advance, or paid off in full ***as soon as possible***. If you have any issues with payment or access to the website, please see the office and they will help where they can. Please note that there should be no amounts outstanding during the summer holidays. Thank you.

**Free School Meals** – A quick reminder that Free School Meals not only entitle your child to Free School Meals, but can also provide the school with extra funding for your child to go towards other areas of learning. If you think that you may be entitled to Free School Meals, even if your child brings a packed lunch every day, you can follow either of the links below:

<https://www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/school-meals>

[https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal\\_LIVE/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2fCCSCitizenPortal\\_live](https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal_LIVE/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2fCCSCitizenPortal_live)

**Year 6 Residential** - The first instalment for the Year 6 Residential is now up on SchoolMoney and due on 30<sup>th</sup> September.

**Okehampton Rotary Club Photographic competition** – Children have been invited to participate again in this annual competition for budding photographers. The theme this year is "Through My Eyes", with a closing date of Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019. If you would like to enter or would like more information, please see the office. Entry forms are in the office if you would like one.

**P.E Kit** – Please can parents support their children in remembering their P.E kits for P.E. This takes place on a Wednesday (Zumba) and Thursday (Argyle). Children will need shorts/leggings, a t-shirt, trainers and a jumper if the weather is cooler. It is also a good idea for children to have a bottle of water at school, especially on P.E days.

**Branches in the field** – Trees were pruned in the playing field and there is probably a trailer load of branches that need removing, would anyone be interested in having them for a bonfire or just to help us clear the playing field.

**One Million Step Challenge** – Bex has very nearly finished her challenge of 1,000,000 steps by the end of September in aid of Diabetes UK. If you would like more information or would like to sponsor her, you can visit <https://step.diabetes.org.uk/pages/rebecca-26>

**Pilates** – Wednesday 6.30pm with qualified instructor Elize in the school hall. £5 per session no need to book. Please note this is not an after school club but is for adults.

**An Daras Vacancies** – Please follow the link for information on vacancies within the An Daras MAT <http://www.andaras.org/web/vacancies>

### **Celebration Awards: Week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

#### **Good learner of the week:**

Greats Links: Hector – resilience

Fox Tor: Jayden - Independence

Brentor: Samuel – Resilience

Oke Tor: Pete – Resilience and independence

#### **Values in Action:**

Daisy - Kindness

Matilda – Kindness

Felicity - Kindness

Poppy - Respect

**Well done to you all!**

#### **Dates for your diary:**

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September – Junior Lifeskills (Oke Tor)

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September – Multi-skills event (Great Links)

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September – Cotehele Trip

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October – Class Dojo parent/carer workshop

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October (provisional date) – Harvest Celebration

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Last Day before Half Term begins

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October – Back to School

**School Dinners** – Please can all Dinners be paid in advance of at least a week via School Money \* **Sickness and diarrhoea** - If your child experiences an upset stomach, they should be kept off school for a **minimum of 48hrs**, in order to minimise the spread the illnesses \* **Morning drop-off** - Children should be at school in time for the bell at 9am. If your child is ill, or will be in late, please could you make sure that you contact school (**01566 783 273**) so we can inform class teachers. If your child is not in school by 9.30am, and we have not received a message, they could be registered as late, and this will affect their attendance \* **Wet Weather Coats** - please ask that all children come to school with appropriate outdoor clothing – water proof coats for all children please, and wellies for Yes Tor. \* **Comments for Governors** - If you have any comments or suggestions for the school Governors these can be placed in the red box outside of the office \* **An Daras Vacancies** – Please follow the link for information on vacancies within the An Daras MAT <http://www.andaras.org/web/vacancies>



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