



# Lew Trenchard C of E Primary School

## Monthly Family Newsletter



July 2022

Together we Grow in Knowledge, Serve with Joy

Dear Parents and Carers,

Unbelievably, we have reached the end of this academic year! Autumn and Spring Terms saw some disruptions but the Summer Term has seen a far more normal time and it has been wonderful to go on residential, enrichment trips, Sports Day and the Summer Fair, inviting our families back into school and mixing as a whole school daily. It has been a joy!

Summer Term is always a great time of year with so many events in the school calendar. It is also a time of celebration and anticipation as we begin the transition phase in preparation for September. This can be a time of mixed emotions but our pupils, staff, governors and families have been amazing as always. We wish you all an enjoyable Summer holiday and look forward to seeing you in September.

Miss Davy

### **School Improvement**

At this time in the academic year, we assess the progress that we have made towards our School Improvement targets and begin planning our next steps.

This informs the staff CPD and meeting plans, monitoring timetables and subject actions plans.

I will be creating the new school improvement plan with Mrs Hussey over the summer holiday which we will share in September.

We have met as a team to look at long term plans for non-core subjects. At the beginning of every half term, teachers will share via their class Dojo and class website pages. This will include everything you need to know and supporting documents, such as knowledge organisers, for pupils.

### **Yes Tor News**

Pre-school will continue to be based in Yes Tor and share some learning spaces with the Reception pupils who we will refer to as Brentor.

They will follow their own curriculum as they do at present as they are at a different stage in their learning journeys. At times, as they do now, they will join for specific events and enrichments.

Yes Tor pupils will continue to enter and exit via the pre-school side gate.

### **Brentor News**

Brentor will be starting their new chapter as a pure Reception class in September. There are a number of reasons for this decision such as the size of the cohort (we are just over our PAN which is wonderful) and also that the updated Early Years framework lends itself to a pure EYFS class.

We are confident that this will have a positive impact upon our pupils moving forward.

They will be based in the Yes Tor classroom for now but will follow their own planning and curriculum. Mrs Abbott-Bray will share information with you via Class Dojo and the website in September.

Reception pupils will enter through the main school gates and be dismissed from here too. They will join the rest of the school in the hall for lunch and Collective Worship. Once they have settled, they will join the rest of the school for break and lunchtimes and will also be able to attend enrichment clubs (as appropriate). They will be part of main school still but share the Yes Tor space as there are so many fantastic areas, indoors and out, that are perfect for the EYFS curriculum.

PE days for Autumn Term 1 will be Mondays and Wednesdays, please send pupils in PE kit on these days please.

### **Fox Tor News**

Fox Tor class will consist of Years 1 and 2.

The pupils have had a very successful transition this week and have enjoyed their first few days of Fox Tor. They really loved taking part in the big butterfly count and could tell me the different varieties they had spotted. We were also very impressed with their drawing and painting of the butterflies that they had identified.

PE days for Autumn Term 1 will be on Tuesdays and Thursday. Please can pupils wear their PE kit to school on these days.

Fox Tor pupils will also need a pair of named wellington boots in school every day please.

### **Oke Tor News**

The new Oke Tor class consist of Years 3 and 4. They are relocating to the classroom previously known as Brentor.

They have coped so well in the hall during transition but a classroom will definitely be better for everyone. We were really impressed with them all this week. I know that Mr P is very excited for September.

The "Meet the Teacher" meeting was very well supported too, thank you.

Their PE days are on Wednesdays and Fridays for Autumn Term 1. Please can pupils wear their kits to school on these days?

## **Great Links Tor News**

We would like to wish our fabulous Year 6 pupil the best of luck as they begin the next stage of their learning journey. You will be missed but we know you will be amazing. Aim high and dream big.

Great Links will consist of Years 5 and 6.

Thank you for the incredible turn out for the "Meet the Teacher" meeting, it was great to see so many of you.

Great Links PE days for Autumn Term 1 will be on Thursdays and Fridays, please can pupils wear PE kit to school on those days?

## **Governor News**

It has been a busy term for the Governors and we have had the pleasure of being in school a lot. Some of us went on school trips, listened to readers every week, visible learning tours, attended Safer Recruitment training and all of us attended our full Governor meeting.

It was fantastic to meet so many families at the summer fair and the 'Meet the Teacher' sessions. We hope to become a lot more visible and approachable for you all.

We'd like to wish all our year 6's the very best for their futures, it's always a real joy to watch them grow and be a very small part of their journey at Lew Trenchard.

Have a fantastic summer break, see you all in September!

I would like to thank our Governors for their ongoing commitment and support to the school, it is greatly appreciated – Miss Davy

## **Celebration News**

Pre-school Star of the Week	Florian	Alivia/Gia
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Good Learner	8.7.2022	15.7.2022
Brentor	Whole class	Cameron
Fox Tor	Ava	Millie
Oke Tor	Residential	Riley P
Great Links Tor	Sullivan	Lulu, Rory, Sullivan, Alfie, Logan, Esme, Mya

Values in Action	8.7.2022	15.7.2022
Brentor	Ceanna	Maisie
Fox Tor	Whole Class	Gracie
Oke Tor	Residential	Guy
Great Links Tor	Mya	Matilda, Scarlett

## **Celebrations achieved outside of school**

Ivy, Isabella and Daisy have been taking part in Cheer leading competitions across the country and has had some impressive awards which they have shared in Celebration assemblies.

Lily P has been competing in equestrian events all over the country too. She has been hugely successful, winning lots of events and supreme champion overall in many events, beating other children as well as adults.

Hadley has achieved his level 1 in swimming and proudly shared the skills he needed to master with the rest of the school.

Kestor completed the Burrator 2km run.

## **Attendance for Month**

Class	8.7.2022	15.7.2022	22.7.2022	Year to date
Brentor	96%	93%	94%	92%
Fox Tor	96%	92%	94%	95%
Oke Tor	97%	96%	99%	94%
Great Links	93%	93%	97%	93%
Total	95%	93%	96%	93%

National expectations are 97%

Please call the school office if your child is ill or late. We cannot rely on receiving Dojo messages, as the internet is not great. Thank you.

It is also important that children are not late to school. Remember all year groups will start at 9am (gates open from 8.45am so that children are in class and settled ready to learn) and finish at 3.15pm. We closely monitor our attendance and must inform the Education Welfare Officer if individuals fall below 95%. The DfE have published new/updated guidance for schools effective from Sept 22– “Working together to improve school attendance” and “Summary table of responsibilities for school attendance”, as this is such a focus area for schools, who are held to account.

## **Dates for Your Diary**

Holiday library sessions – 17<sup>th</sup> August and 21<sup>st</sup> August

Holiday club dates – Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> August through to Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August inclusive (please book in advance via SchoolMoney)

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September – Back to School

Brentor reading workshop – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September

### **School Money Payments**

A reminder that all payments for School Dinners should be made *in advance*. If you have any issues with payment or access to the website, please see the office and they will help where they can. **All dinner bookings should now be made and paid for in advance please.**

**Please could we ask that any outstanding monies be paid as soon as possible. There should be no monies outstanding now please.**

### **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/CCSCitizenPortalLIVE/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2fCCSCitizenPortallive>

**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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