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Our Christian values – Excellence, Friendship, Respect.

Our learning powers - Resourcefulness, Reciprocity, Reflectiveness and Resilience.

The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want, he makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside still waters, He restores my soul.

September 2019

Dear Parents,

We trust you all had a wonderful summer holiday with your children. It was wonderful to greet everyone last week and to note that everyone is safe and well.

Leadership and Management

Parent View - Please sign up to parent view and tell us about our school. Your views are important to us. Help us further improve by telling us how you feel. Thank you.

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

Please find attached to this Newsletter our '**Year at a glance**' - please note dates may change however, we will try to keep things as planned. We will of course inform you of any changes via newsletters, our website and the front information board. The '**Year at a glance**' is also on our website.

ICT suite refurbishment – the diocese are helping us with the refurbishment of our ICT suite. This will happen next week. Hopefully the new furnishings will be brighter and more uplifting for the children.

Teaching and Learning and assessment

We are delighted with our SATs results in July. Please see the results letter sent to you with your child's report.

Mrs Sandford and Miss Crame have both settled in well. We hope you have all managed to attend the "Meet the new Teacher" sessions to learn about practices in your child's class this term.



All other classes are doing well. Yr. R have settled remarkably well this year. We are so proud of all our children. Yr. 6 children have become good buddies with the Yr. R children. We have also welcomed some new families into our school this academic year.

New School Council - Mrs Sykes will begin the voting for our school council again this year. Children across the school get a chance to vote (using proper voting booths borrowed from Test Valley Borough Council) for their school council members. It's an exciting time and gives the older children a chance to shine and do good work for their school.

Stubbington Residential for Yr. 5 /6 class. We wish Chaffinch Class a wonderful week next week as they visit Stubbington study centre and enjoy a week learning about coastlines and nature.
<https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/stubbingtonstudycentre>

Safeguarding, Behaviour and Wellbeing

Internet agreement - We are working with all the children this coming week on keeping ourselves safe on the internet. The children will be taught about computer safety and how to respect all equipment. The children will be encouraged to read, understand and sign an ICT /internet agreement.

E-safety evening - Please come to our E-safety Parents' information evening when we can share ways to keep children and adults safe whilst on-line. Wednesday 2nd October 2019 at 7pm to 8pm in school. All parents welcome.

We are holding a safe guarding review with an external advisor on Monday 16th September 2019

2 Safeguarding notices – please adhere to these polite requests

1. Please dismount from your bikes /scooters **before** entering the school grounds
2. Please also do not let your child ride too far ahead of you on your way into school. Thank you.

Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Education

We have some wonderful plans in place for all children across the school for the coming term. Please find attached to this letter some information about a local bereavement counselling service.

Our charities this year will focus on the following water theme as selected by the children:-

1. Water aid - to support the African school in Bukanaga
2. Seaman's mission - helping children get to school in water flooded areas of the planet which links to learning about climate change etc.
3. Plastics in the **ocean - which supports how we re-cycle and looking after our sea creatures**



FOLS - Friends of Longparish School would really appreciate more helpers to volunteer for FOLS activities throughout the year. If you can help in any way, please come forward and see me or Becky Witcher (chair) and we will welcome you! FOLS are looking for someone with skills that support writing bids for grants. If this is something you could do, please do come forward. We would be delighted to hear from you. FOLS do an amazing job supporting the school in an incredible way and the team work so hard. Please do volunteer if you can help us. We would love to welcome new members onto the team.



Websites of the week - <http://iconcope.org/> - this is a new Hampshire wide initiative.

<https://www.unicef.org.uk/what-we-do/un-convention-child-rights/>

https://www.standup4humanrights.org/en/2019/highlights_06.html we will be celebrating the UN rights of the Child 30th Birthday on 20th November 2019

Thought of the week - ‘The secret of happiness is to live moment by moment and to thank God for all that He, in His goodness, sends us every day’

St Gianna Molla.

Kind regards,

Trudie Cawthra