

## **Friday Round Up – 26.3.21**

### **Member of Staff Leaving**

We are writing to confirm that Mr Page will sadly be leaving us over the Easter holidays. Mr Page has been at the school for just over three and half years and in his time as a teaching assistant has supported many children and class teachers across all year groups. As Mr Page looks to embark on the next chapter in his career focussing more on the counselling route, we want to thank him for his dedication and commitment to the school and children and wish him every success for his future career aspirations. We will ensure that all aspects of Mr Page's role are covered following his departure and will be in a position to provide you all with an update of what this will look like in due course.

### **Parent Survey**

We would like to say a massive thank you to all parents who were able to respond to our latest parent survey about the current running of the school. Although the number of responses were down in comparison to the Autumn term, every completed survey is really useful in allowing the school to identify what is working well and any areas for development.

The key findings have highlighted the following:

100% of the replies identified that their child is happy at the school, feels safe at the school and that they would recommend the school to another parent. 98% of responses felt that pupils behave well, the school has high expectations for their child and that they do well at the school.

A handful of parents felt that the school does not provide enough information about what their child will be learning during the year. Mrs Cain will be sending out an updated 'covid' overview of what your child will be learning in the summer term as the information on our website may now have changed.

Other responses regarding how the school deals with concerns raised, dealing with any bullying, the curriculum, SEND support and support for children's wider development were also all very positive.

We are very grateful to have such supportive parents and carers and thank you all for your continued support. More importantly we are always looking to improve our provision and therefore really appreciate the completion of these surveys or any other advice passed on to us throughout the year.

### **School Photographer**

On, Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April our school photographer will be coming in to school to take our class and year 8 leavers photos. Due to the new GDPR rules, the photographers are legally required to check that all children have permission to have their photographs taken. Therefore, please can you advise us no later than Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April if you do not wish your child to be included in the photographs. If we do not hear from you, we will assume you are happy for your child to be included.

As always we would kindly ask that all children come to school in their full school uniform. If your child is due to have PE they will also be required to come to school in full uniform and the lesson will be adapted to reflect this.

### **Red Nose Day and HairtoCare**

Thank you to all the pupils for participating in last week's non-school uniform and wacky hair day. We received £533.75 which has been divided equally between the My Time Young Carers and Comic Relief charities.

### **External Sports Clubs**

Verwood Cricket Club are looking to recruit new players (boys and girls). Please follow this link if your child is interested.

[https://www.verwoodcricketclub.co.uk/news/all-stars-dynamos-at-verwood-cricket-club-2604292.html?fbclid=IwAR3tQ80zcf-wmBJ0e3FGQFaFrFT-IAtFSehM1YK7r\\_-v7YNXZKBRupvpVcQ](https://www.verwoodcricketclub.co.uk/news/all-stars-dynamos-at-verwood-cricket-club-2604292.html?fbclid=IwAR3tQ80zcf-wmBJ0e3FGQFaFrFT-IAtFSehM1YK7r_-v7YNXZKBRupvpVcQ)

Please see the flyers attached for clubs that are starting up in the area.

### **KEY DATES FOR THE DIARY**

Thursday 1 April 2021      Inset Day

Friday 2 April 2021      Easter Holiday begins

Monday 19 April 2021      Return to School: Summer Term

Friday 28 May 2021      Inset Day

### **Attachments:**

Verwood Cricket Club Flyer

All Stars Dynamo Flyer

Unleash Your Inner Beginner Flyer