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Newsletter: September 2023

First of all I would like to extend an official “welcome” to all of our new Nursery and Reception parents and families – and to other families who have moved into other year groups. It is great to have you all as part of our Stowlawn Family. As we move to our first full week back to school, it has been a delight to see all the children looking so smart in their uniforms and being so ready to learn and show our Stowlawn Six! Everyone has come back to school being ready, respectful and safe so thank you to you all for helping your child be so prepared for a great start to the year.

Just a reminder that children also need a PE kit in school of a white t shirt, black shorts/joggers and pumps.

Also thank you for your patience – we are a little short staffed “behind the scenes” at the moment. Due to circumstances outside our control, we are still looking to recruit for our school office after Mrs Stack retired, and our caretaker, Mr Radford, is off work whilst he recovers from a minor operation. Gates may be opened a little late and queries may take a little longer to sort but please bear with us! To this end, you would usually find either Mr O’Connor or myself (Mrs Charles) out around the front area of school every morning. At the moment we may be supporting in the office or around school so may not be out there. There are staff on every gate who you can talk to, but if you need one of us please pop into school as we should be about somewhere! We will of course let you know of any new appointments in the near future.

Parentmail is still being used for office information and payments to school.

Class Dojo

These monthly newsletters mainly contain dates for your diary, as class dojo is proving the best way of communicating and keeping you informed of your child’s learning and what happens in each class. If you have not yet signed up for class dojo then please see your child’s class teacher or Mr. O’Connor. Please sign up to your child’s class if you haven’t done so already - it’s where all the good stuff is!

Dates For Your Diary

These will be added to as other events and dates are organised

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| Friday 22 nd September | Year 2 | Residential parents meeting – 2.30pm |
| Monday 16 th October | Reception- Beech | Parents Phonic workshop- 2pm |
| Tuesday 17 th October | Reception - Ash | Parents phonic workshop – 2pm |
| Friday 27 th October | Whole School | Break up for half term |
| Tuesday 7 th November | Whole School | Return to School |
| Wed.13 th to Fri. 15 th December | Year 2 | Residential visit to Frank Chapman Centre |
| Thursday 21 st December | Whole School | Break up for Christmas holiday (lunchtime finish) |
| Monday 8 th January | Whole School | Back to School |

Academic Year 2023 / 2024 INSET days – staff training and school closed to children :

Monday 4th September 2023

Tuesday 5th September 2023

Monday 6th November 2023

Friday 22nd December 2023

Monday 22nd July 2024 (children will break up for the summer at lunchtime on Friday 19th July 2024)