



# Fairisle News

Newsletter No. 8

Dear Parents and Carers,

*I hope that you and your families are all keeping well and safe. Thank you so much to all of our families for your kind support throughout these unprecedented times.*

*Staff are now exceptionally busy preparing for all the children's return in September and we are very excited to welcome the children back to a new academic year.*

**The letter sent to Parents dated 10 July 2020 provided further details with regard to the full opening of school. Please read this letter carefully and take note of drop-off and collection times.**

*The children who attended school during the Summer Term have been amazing and adapted to the new way of working incredibly quickly. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the staff for their complete devotion and commitment to the children's welfare and learning throughout this time.*

*Arrangements in the Autumn Term will be different but we are confident that the children will quickly adapt to this. Our main concern will always be the children's safety and wellbeing and to ensure that they enjoy coming to school to learn.*

*I wish all families a safe and restful Summer Holiday and look forward to seeing you in September.*

Susanne Ottens  
Headteacher

## Staffing Update

We are pleased to welcome back Mrs Strudley and Miss Doswell following their Maternity Leave.

We also sadly say 'Farewell' to Mrs Hooper and Mrs Whitlock and thank them for everything they have done for the school!



## Congratulations!

Congratulations to Mrs Drummond from Squirrels Class who got married this week!

She will now be known as Mrs Stewart!

We wish her and her husband every happiness in their new life together!



## Purchasing School Uniform

Due to the current circumstances, if you wish to purchase school uniform for September,

**Please Place An Order In Advance**

**using the school's online payment system 'Scopay'.**

The School Office can then prepare it for you ready for collection. **You can also order uniform for payment in cash or by cheque by Emailing the school:**

**info@fairisle-inf.co.uk**

**Please note we will not be able to provide change and will only be able to accept the correct money in an envelope.**

**All online and emailed orders received by 1 September will be available for collection from the Robins Classroom on Friday 4 September 2020 between 12.00—2.00 pm.**

**Uniform can still be ordered after 4 September but will then be sent home via your child.**

Current school uniform prices and sizes can be found on the School Website and via OurSchoolsapp.



**Thank you for your co-operation.**

## Lost Property

Please ensure all items in the Lost Property Box are collected as everything will be discarded on:

**Friday 17 July 2020**



**Thank you**

### Year 2



We have had a very unique year in Year 2. The first half of the year was busy, busy, busy and so much fun and the second half has meant we could not all be together at school. We have learned all about Guy Fawkes, The Great Fire of London, The Titanic and made vehicles, bread and Christingles! We were also very lucky and got to go to The Historic Dockyard and fire cannonballs at the Teachers!



We have loved that so many of you emailed us work you had done over 'Lockdown' - you are very creative! There also seemed to be a lot of baking (and cake-eating) going on which you wouldn't normally have time to do. We have been able to see a few of you in school as some Parents are Key Workers and it was lovely to see your smiling faces. You even discovered a dragon egg...where did it come from? You have all been amazing and resilient and we are going to miss you all as you move on. We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all the best of luck in Year 3 and make sure you pop back and say hello. All your books will be waiting for you to collect when you start at the Junior School.....along with a little present!



### Year 1

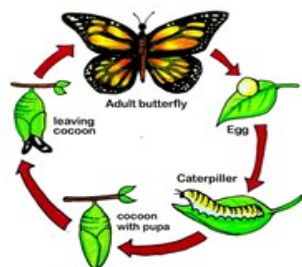
Year One have ended their year with fun-filled learning over the last few weeks. We enjoyed researching Dinosaurs and created our own fact sheets. We listened to the story 'Tyrannosaurus Drip' by Julia Donaldson and loved imagining our own creatures coming out of mysterious eggs. We used amazing adjectives to describe our creatures and setting and wrote beautiful stories. During Maths we revisited lots of skills e.g. number bonds, counting in steps, shapes, groupings, sharing, arrays etc. They took on many challenges and were great at problem-solving. In Art we used clay to make sculptures and in DT we made spectacular castles using hinges to add drawbridges while slotting in the castle battlement walls. For Science and PSHE we have been learning all about Summer, how to stay safe in the sun, how to look after our teeth and even all about water safety. The children were extremely well behaved and did so well with all the new challenges we all faced. They showed us that they are more than ready for their new Year 2 classes. We wish every Year 1 child the best of luck for September and hope you all have a happy holiday.



We will miss you. Keep safe!

### Year R

This term has certainly presented unexpected challenges for us all! We are proud of all of our Year R children who have showed determination, perseverance and reliance in these challenging times. The children who attended school enjoyed watching our caterpillars grow and change and finally releasing beautiful butterflies.



They have impressed us with their growing independence in practising their key skills of Literacy and Maths. The Year R Teachers have been more than proud in hearing how well adjusted the children at home have been with engaging in Home Learning, as well as doing lovely activities with their families. We have heard stories of learning to ride bikes, baking, bug hunts, nature walks, crafts and games. We wish all of the children a very happy summer and all the best in Year 1!



### Nursery

Our Nursery bubbles have been very busy! Miss Harding's group have been making boats in their creative area! They have also been singing; Their favourite song is: 'Walking Through The Jungle!' Miss Smith's group have been enjoying some science experiments in the garden and observing the reactions that occur when mixing two different ingredients. They have also been engaging in creative activities linked to their favourite stories.

Miss Staddon's group have also tried some science experiments and made a volcano in the garden. They have been working on their maths skills, matching numerical to quantity. They have also been busy creating jellyfish! All groups have been learning about how to stay safe when out and about with their families. We have particularly focused on road safety and water safety.



## Dates For your Diary

20 July : INSET DAY—Infant School, Sunshine & Rainbow Nursery CLOSED ALL DAY



**The School CLOSSES for the Summer  
for the Children  
This Friday 17 July 2020**

Summer Holiday 21 July until 2 September 2020

Thurs 3 & Fri 4 Sept. : INSET DAY—Infant School, Sunshine & Rainbow Nursery CLOSED ALL DAY



Mon 7 Sept.—Children’s First Day Back At School



Half-Term Holiday 26—30 October 2020

2 Nov : INSET DAY—Infant School, Sunshine & Rainbow Nursery CLOSED ALL DAY

Christmas Holiday 21 December—1 January 2021

Children Back to School—Mon 4 January 2021



Following on from the successful Easter Provision for Key/Critical Workers, Southampton City Council together with Testlands Community Hub are pleased to announce that they are able to provide similar childcare provision over the Summer Holiday. Whilst the childcare provision offered from Testlands is available to all families via their website, there is a 50% discount for the children of Key/Critical Workers for the whole 6 weeks. Proof of employment will be required via the website to obtain the discount.

A poster is attached to this Newsletter and there is more information available via their website: [www.testlands.com/holiday-club](http://www.testlands.com/holiday-club)



### Finally.....

We wish all of our Year 2 children all the very best in their new schools.

We know that you will all be amazing and continue to be the best that you can be. You have the ability to make anything happen if you aim high and work hard.



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