



Fairisle News

Newsletter No. 10

Dear Parent/Carers,

As this academic year is drawing to an end I am reflecting on yet another unprecedented year. I thank you for your kind support throughout the year. The children have been wonderful and adapted to situations very quickly. It has been a pleasure to see their positive attitude to learning and follow the progress they have all made.

The current Government Guidance states that schools do not have to operate the 'bubble' system upon the children's return in September.
In light of this, we will revert to our previous timings of school hours: i.e. 8.55 am opening of the classrooms and 3.10 pm collection time.
Further details are outlined in the letter dated 19 July 2021.

We are also planning on providing a range of After School Sports Clubs again in the Autumn Term which I know the children really enjoy. Obviously if schools receive new guidance before the September opening we will update you accordingly.

If your child requires a space in our Breakfast Club, please contact the School Office to confirm their space.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff for their complete devotion and commitment to the children's welfare and learning throughout this year. They have worked tirelessly ensuring that the curriculum is fun and engaging whilst making sure children's basic skills in Literacy and Numeracy have a high priority.

I wish all of our Year 2 Leavers the very best.

We will miss you but we know that you'll do brilliantly in the Junior School!!

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 Miss Sevier, Miss Rogers, Miss McGovern and Miss Orman to our Teaching Team.

We also welcome Mrs Coe to our Teaching Assistant Team.

We say 'Farewell' to Miss Bright, Mrs Staddon, Miss Hockham and Mrs Storey. We wish them "All The Best" in their new ventures.



Farewell

We say farewell to Mrs Streader who is retiring from her role of SENCo. Mrs Streader has held the role of SENCo for 20 years at the school and has supported many children and families throughout the period.

We wish her all the very best and thank her for all her commitment and hard work over the years.

Miss Darke will be taking over the role of SENCo in September and we wish her every success in her new role.



Year 2

What a year this has been! It has been a bit of a roller-coaster ride but we are incredibly proud of how resilient the children have been. They have all made **AMAZING** progress this year despite the setbacks and have kept

positive when it has been a challenge. We are going to miss all of them (and you) an awful lot but we hope they will come back and say hello from time to time.

Throughout the year we have sailed the 7 seas with Pirates, gone to the depths of the ocean with The Titanic, tackled fires with The Great Fire of London, monitored a huge egg until it hatched

as a Dragon and scoured the school grounds for Minibeasts. What adventures we have had! The stories you have told us and written have kept us entertained and you are all experts now in washing your

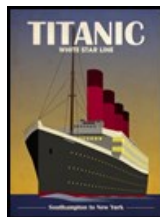
hands!!

Good luck in Year 3... we will miss you!



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We wish them all a wonderful and safe summer and all the best in Year 1!



Year 1 Superstars!

What a fantastic finish to a very unusual year! We are so proud of the resilience and determination that the wonderful Year 1 children have shown throughout the year. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all Parents and Carers for their ongoing support and positive feedback over the last three terms.

Over the last few weeks we thoroughly embraced 'Healthy Fun Week' and enjoyed taking part in a variety of activities such as hula-hooping, dance mats and drama workshops.

We particularly enjoyed tasting fruit and designing and making fruit kebabs as part of our DT Project. You will have seen



that each child came home with their own toothbrush and toothpaste as a reward for learning so much about keeping teeth healthy.

Sports Day this year was a bit different to previous years as we missed our proud spectators but we still had lots of fun and cheered each other on showing lots of team spirit. At the moment we are busy preparing the children for their transition to Year 2 and discussing successes we have experienced in Year 1



and goals for Year 2. We wish the children the very best of luck in Year 2.

Year R

Despite a challenging year in terms of restrictions, we are so proud of the progress Year R children have made this year, both socially and academically! They have shown resilience, motivation, and curiosity throughout these challenging times. This half-term the children loved trying out new skills and activities in Healthy Fun Week. We tried hula-hooping, circus skills and dance mats and although a little bit different this year, we had a great Sports Day! The children demonstrated their creativity by making and tasting fruit

faces inspired by Giuseppe Archimboldo. They have grown into confident and independent children who are eager to learn and try new things. We are sad to see them go but know they will continue to thrive in Year 1.

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Rainbow Nursery



The children in Rainbow Room have had a really good half-term. We have had lots of fun during Healthy Fun Week where we tasted different foods and made our own pizza.

We also took part in hula-hooping and circus skills.



We have also been fortunate enough to see the hedgehog that lives in our garden. He is very big and spiky. We like to leave



him food and water.

We will be saying goodbye to most of the Rainbow Children as they move into Sunshine Room in September.

We will miss them all very much and wish them lots of luck.



Dates For your Diary

2 Sept	:	<u>INSET Day - Infant School, Sunshine & Rainbow Nurseries</u> <u>CLOSED ALL DAY</u>
3 Sept	:	<u>INSET Day - Infant School, Sunshine & Rainbow Nurseries</u> <u>CLOSED ALL DAY</u>
6 Sept.	:	Children Return to School
1 Nov	:	<u>INSET Day - Infant School, Sunshine & Rainbow Nurseries</u> <u>CLOSED ALL DAY</u>
17 Dec	:	End of Term

**Year N Sunshine**

It has been yet another fun and busy half term in Sunshine Nursery.



We have had two focus weeks to enjoy, the first being Science week. We had great fun making our own boats and learning about floating and sinking. We experimented with milk and food colouring and observed the changes and patterns we made. We made our own ice lollies and talked about freezing and melting, and baked bread. We have also been growing sunflowers and taking care of them.



The second focus week was all about keeping ourselves healthy and we all enjoyed a trip to the hall to learn hula-hooping tricks and circus skills. We had a range of different fruits to try at snack-times and we learned all about eating a healthy, balanced diet, exercising, brushing our teeth and staying safe and healthy in the sun.



We started learning our first letter sounds through fun games and activities, and have focused on the sounds 's', 'a', 't', 'i', 'p' and 'n'. Perhaps the children could look for objects that begin with these sounds or play 'I spy' over the holidays :)



We wish all the children and families a happy and healthy summer break, and we look forward to welcoming the children who are staying with us back in September. We also wish all the children who are starting Reception a wonderful year as they continue their school journeys. You will all be missed!

Best Wishes

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Susanne Ottens
Headteacher