

## NEWSLETTER 6

15<sup>th</sup> October 2020



### EARLY BIRD CLUB

There have been an average of 15 children a day using the Early Bird Club this term. As you will be aware, the service requires a much greater staffing ratio than the old Breakfast Club, due to the need to keep children in their bubbles. Over the past four weeks, the service has cost the school £700, and is predicted to cost the school around £1,200 by the end of the term. With budgets as tight as they are, the school cannot keep subsidising this service. Therefore, the cost of the Early Bird Club will rise to £8.00 a day from Term 2, which will reduce the burden on the school's finances and be closer to breaking even. The school will not make a profit from this service, and if numbers increase over the term the school will be able to reduce the cost again.

#### Dates for your Diary

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October**

Last day of Term 1

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October - Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October**

Autumn Break

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**

Children return to school

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

Last day of Term 2

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December**

Influenza Vaccinations

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December - Friday 1<sup>st</sup> January**

Christmas Break

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January**

Children return to school

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February**

Last day of Term 3

**Monday 15 February - Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February**

February Break

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February**

Children return to school

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April**

Last day of Term 4

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April**

Easter (April) Break

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April**

Children return to school

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May**

May Day holiday

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May**

Last day of Term 5

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May - Friday 4 June**

Whitsun (May) Break

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June**

Children return to school

#### Library Books - KS2 - A reminder of how the system works

All pupils in KS2 use the school's library management system to monitor which books they have read. The system requires the pupil to scan the bar code of the book they choose and the bar code of their reading record, which creates a link between the pupil and the book they have borrowed. Children take personal responsibility for the resources they are using.

Pupils are also able to access the 'Reading Cloud' website in conjunction with this management system. All KS2 pupils have been issued with a login for the site where they can find author reviews, suggestions for books that would be of interest to them and much more.

To maintain and keep track of the school's library resources, we have a three-step reminder system for books that are not returned at the end of the two-week borrowing period.

- Step 1 - verbal reminder given to the pupil via the class teacher
- Step 2 - written reminder given to the pupil if the book has not been returned or renewed
- Step 3 - a letter will go home to parents/carers requesting that the book be returned, replaced or a £5.00 fine paid.

This system was introduced to enable us to keep track of our stock, as an increasing number of books were being lost each year.

We hope that pupils and parents/carers will continue to be supportive of this system, and we look forward to helping your child enjoy many years of happy reading.

#### Year 3 - Dinosaur (PG Film)

Next week, Year 3 will be watching the Disney film Dinosaur. This is a PG film. If you have any concerns or queries with regard to this film, please contact the School Office.

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

Last day of Term 6

**Please note there are three further Staff Training/Inset Days to be allocated this academic year**

#### **Early Bird Club Contact Information**

Contact details for Early Bird Club are below. If you would like to book your child into Early Bird Club for the first time, please contact them on the email below. If your child already attends Early Bird Club, please ensure to complete the booking form which will be sent out via Parentmail each Monday.  
[breakfast@battlelangton.e-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:breakfast@battlelangton.e-sussex.sch.uk)

#### **Apply for a School Place in September 2021**

Do you have a child born between 01.09.16 and 31.08.17? If so, they are eligible to start school in September 2021. Information is available for parents to view or download from [www.eastsussex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/admissions). Parents can apply for a school place online by visiting the above mentioned website and clicking on the 'Starting school for the first time (4+)' tab. If you have difficulty accessing the website, or need any other advice regarding the process, please contact the Admissions team on 0300 330 9472.

#### **Swearing and Violent Behaviour**

Please note that swearing, threats or any acts of violence by parents/carers will not be tolerated. Telephone calls will be terminated with anyone giving verbal abuse to members of staff.

#### **Youth Sport Trust - Keeping Active**

Please see below two links for Youth Sport Trust. The links are targeted to engage young people, parents, the school workforce and carers at home and in school. These may be particularly of interest for children who are having to isolate at home or would like to engage in more exercise at home.

<https://www.youthsporttrust.org/top-sportsability-elements>

<https://www.youthsporttrust.org/inclusion-2020-challenge-days>

#### **Reminders**

**All Years** - Please remember to pay for your child's school hat if you have not already done so (£2.00). Payment can be made via Parentpay or cash can be brought in to the school in a named envelope.

#### **Sent home since last Newsletter**

**All Years** - Parentmail from Mr Alexander.

**All Years** - Parentmail Letter from Chair of Governors.

**Year 6** - Parentmail re Secondary Schools Virtual Open Evenings.

**Year 6** - Parentmail re Transfer to Secondary School.

**Year 6** - Parentmail re Message from Claverham Community College.

**Year 3** - Parentmail re KS2 Library.

**Year 1** - Parentmail re Computing Lessons- TypingClub.

**Reception** - Parentmail re PE and Outdoor Classrooms.

#### **Attached to this week's Newsletter**