

Stoke by Nayland C of E Primary School

Newsletter - *March 25th 2022*

Dear Parents & Carers,

We have had a fantastic week at school. From a French afternoon to our Friends of Stoke by Nayland coming to assist the children in making some beautiful Mother's Day badges. Well done to those children for being so creative but also working so diligently and making lovely gifts.

Easter Service

Reverend Stephane will be leading a Whole School Easter Service in the Church at 2pm on Wednesday 6th April. Parents are welcome to join us.

Easter Gardens

A reminder that our School Council have arranged for an exciting competition to celebrate Easter. They would like the other pupils to bring in their *best* Easter garden plate. These should be done on a paper plate, celebrating the meaning of Easter. All entries should start coming to the school on April 5th, ready for judging on April 8th. The winner will be given an amazing prize.

Pirate Day - 4th April

Thank you to those parents who have already volunteered to come over to the recreation ground with us. If there are any other volunteers please do let the office know - you do not need to dress up as a pirate but are welcome to!

French Day

A big Thank you to Madame Davies and Mrs Woolford for supporting us during the French day. The children had a wonderful time learning both new French words, and about the culture of France, as well participating in our French cafe and ordering their own food in French. Well done to everyone.

Forest School Clothing

A reminder to all parents and carers that, regardless of the weather, the children should come to school with:

- A long sleeved and short sleeved top
- Long trousers

This is to keep them safe and help them avoid being stung by stinging nettles or other plants that grow in the wild garden.

Years 5/6 - Kingswood Residential Trip Payment

Payment 4 for Kingswood is due by the 28th March. The payment can be made via School Gateway or by bringing cash/cheques to the Office. Thank you to those who have already paid for this. If any parents or carers need to speak to the school about these payments, please do not hesitate to contact the Office.

Uniform Reminder

A short reminder that for PE children with earrings either need to be able to take them out themselves or have them removed at home as staff are not allowed to do this and we are no longer allowed to tape them up.

As we move into the nicer weather (finally some sun!) can we please ask you not to send your child to school in open toed sandals. Our large play equipment is not suitable to be used wearing open toed sandals so we ask that you continue to send your child to school in closed toed shoes for safety, please.

Could you also please ensure that your child has a sun hat in school at all times - Thank you.

Sun Cream and Sun Hats

As the weather improves it is lovely to think ahead to needing sun cream and keeping our children safe. We ask that parents apply sun cream first thing in the morning before your child arrives in school and we are then happy to assist them to apply it themselves at lunchtime. Children will require their own named bottle of sun cream one that preferably can be left in school so that it isn't forgotten.

We also recommend that your child has a legionnaires style sun hat with a piece of material that covers their neck for extra protection. These will be available to purchase from the school office after Easter, but if you would like to guarantee having one you can order one from the office. The cost of these £5.20 (*subject to confirmation*).

Displays at School

We have had some amazing work this term and have updated many of our displays to reflect the fantastic learning all of our children have done. From learning about the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, to learning about our teeth and digestion, we are so proud of all of the work and perseverance we have seen this term. A huge well done to our amazing pupils!

Gold Book Awards

Last week, our Gold Awards went to:

- *Saplings* - Everyone!
- *Chestnut* - Aurelia & Paisley

- *Oak* - Quintus

Well done to all of the children for doing your best and working so hard.

Diary Dates

- **28th March** - Kingswood Residential - Payment 4 due
- **29th March**- CUFITC Maths Afternoon - Code Breaking Challenge
- **4th April**- Pirate themed Writing Wow Day
- **6th April** - 2pm Easter Church Service
- **5th-8th April** - Easter Gardens submitted to school
- **8th April - 25th April**- Half term

Mrs Kelly McGrath-Wells

Head of School

Mr Andrew Frolish

Executive Headteacher

