



# Stoke by Nayland C of E Primary School and Nursery Newsletter

*Instilling Courage, Creativity, Compassion and Curiosity and always striving to be the best that we can be*

'APPLY YOUR HEART TO DISCIPLINE AND YOUR EARS TO WORDS OF KNOWLEDGE' – PROVERBS 23:12

**Dear Parents and Friends,**

## **Welcome back!**

We hope everyone enjoyed the beautiful weather over the summer holidays and took some time to relax after such an unexpected few months. We certainly took advantage of the sunny days and completed some well-deserved renovations at the school before opening our doors again for the brand new term.



Thanks to the grant we received from the Dedham Vale AONB, and the hard work of our governor Joe Walker, the raised beds have been replaced around the school. It looks wonderful and has made such an improvement to the outside of the building already.

We have also made some changes inside. We swapped our ICT and Hideout rooms to make more space for new computer equipment. Thanks to Chris Clark for making and fitting the tabling, as well as the skilful painting from our LSA's and other volunteers, we have it ready for our pupils to enjoy.



Our teaching staff have gone above and beyond to get their classrooms ready to welcome the pupils back, while following the government guidelines to keep everyone safe and healthy as well as creating an engaging learning environment.

## **Hot Lunches**

From next week, hot lunches will follow the three weekly pattern. The week commencing from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September is **Week 1**, and you can find what meals are on offer by going to <http://www.eats-catering.co.uk/menus/>. A link can also be found on the school website. Meals cost **£2.40** per day or are free for pupils in Key Stage 1, (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils), and to pupils on income related free school meals. Please pay for meals at the start of the week if possible or at the latest on the day the meal is required. Please put payments in an envelope stating your child's name, amount enclosed and what the money is for, as with all payments made to the school.

## **After School Clubs**

Colchester United Football Club starts again on the **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September**. It is open for both girls and boys, from Reception onwards. Children from both bubble groups can attend but they will be kept separate as far as possible. If your child is interested in joining, let us know as soon as possible. The school will be covering the cost of this from our Sports Premium Grant so there will be no charge for this club.

Premier Sports are running a xxx club on Fridays after school.

## **School Parking**

A reminder to parents and carers that parking on the road in front of our school creates an unsafe and hazardous barrier for other drivers and pedestrians. We have been advised by the local council that we should remind you that the parking spaces at the recreation ground are available and free for you to use. This way we can enable a flow of traffic as well as ensuring the safety of everyone walking by the school.

## **Diary dates**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Football club begins</b>
<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>School Farm &amp; County Fair</b>

**Mrs Sarah Smith**

Headteacher