

**Reminders**

**School times**

**8:45am:** Main doors open for the children to go to their classrooms.

**8:55am:** School starts so all children should be in class and ready to start the school day.

**In Reception and Year 1** classes – parents are welcome to come into the classroom to help settle the children if you feel they need it.

**Year 2 children** enter school from the back door of their classroom.

**Healthy snacks**

All children are welcome to bring a healthy snack to eat at break time – no chocolate or crisps are allowed at this time of the day and please do not bring nuts into school.

**Drinks**

Please send a water bottle into school for your child but please ensure this contains just water - sugary juice drinks are not allowed.

**PE Kit**

Year 2 and KS2 children need to remember to bring their PE kit into school on the days they have PE and must bring their coloured T-shirt as part of that kit please.

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Welcome Back!** It's lovely to be back in school and to see everyone after the summer break. I hope you have all had a fabulous summer and are feeling refreshed and ready for the new year ahead – we all are!

**Welcome to our newcomers** I would like to welcome all the new children who have joined us this year; everyone seems to have settled in really well and seem to be finding their way around the school brilliantly. I would also like to welcome our new members of staff; teaching assistants: Miss Charlotte Dunn and Miss Beth Hearn, PE coach: Mr Lee Evans and music teacher: Miss Steph Hawker. It's great to have so many newcomers in our wonderful Landsc@re family and I know we will all make them feel welcome.

**Key Dates for your Diary**

Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	Year 6 Grenville House Residential
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Harvest Assembly (not open to parents I'm afraid)
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> and Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Parents' Evenings
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Non Pupil Day
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> – Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Half Term Holiday
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> and Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Grandparents' lunch
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec. (Proposed date - TBC)	Christmas Carol Concert
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	Children's Christmas Dinner
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	Last Day of Term

**Year 6 Secondary Applications**

If your child is in Year 6 this year, you will be thinking about transition to secondary school next year and you may want to look around the schools on their open days. Please speak to the office if you want to take your child out of school to visit a secondary school. Please remember that you must apply for a secondary school place by October 31<sup>st</sup>. Applications can be made online by completing a Devon common application form. More information can be found at: [new.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information](http://new.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information)

**Swimming Changes** We have changed the swimming programme this year so that all children across years 3 and 4 will be going swimming as a class. Every child will get a ten week programme of swimming sessions during their time in both year 3 and year 4. Any older children who can't swim, will be offered sessions to help them achieve the required level of competency during the year. The first class going will be Miss Maddison's class.

**PTA AGM** We will be holding the PTA Annual General Meeting on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 9:30 in the staff room. We have to appoint a chair person, secretary and treasurer at this meeting. If you are interested in nominating yourself, or someone else, for one of these positions, please either let one of the PTA members know or come along to the meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend and we really need as many members as possible to get involved in order to help with the great events which our PTA organise and run.

**Nut Allergy** Please be aware that we have a child in school with a severe nut allergy. I would therefore ask you all to refrain from sending any nuts into school with your child for either their snack or their packed lunch. Many thanks for your help with this matter.

### **Absence**

Please remember to phone the school office by 9:30 if your child is absent from school.

### **Please Label Everything**

We are still collecting vast amounts of lost property which is such a waste of money. Please ensure that you label everything so that we can return any items which get lost, including packed lunch boxes and drinks bottles!

### **Messy Church!**

Christians Together in Crediton are running a 'Messy Church' session this Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> September at 4:00-6:00pm at Crediton Congregational Church. All ages are welcome.



**School Uniform Policy** We firmly believe that how a child dresses affects his/her attitude to learning and behaviour. At Landscore we would like our children to take pride in their appearance to give them a sense of belonging. Our school uniform is smart and practical. The school uniform is as follows:

- Grey or black trousers, shorts, pinafore dress, skirt or short sleeved blue gingham dress (no jeans or jogging bottoms please)
- White or blue shirt or polo shirt – school logo polo shirts available
- Royal blue sweatshirt or cardigan – with school logo preferred
- Black, grey or white tights
- Black, grey or white socks
- Black, brown or dark blue school shoes, ankle boots or sandals -secured to the foot (not trainers, fashion shoes, crocs or shoes with a heel)
- Royal blue fleece with school logo (optional)

**PE Kit** Children in years 2-6 should also have a PE kit in school consisting of:

- Navy blue/ Black shorts
- Navy blue/ Black tracksuit or leggings (for outside PE in the winter)
- Team coloured T-shirt (purchased from school)
- Plimsolls or trainers

**Please note:** Appropriate school dress means that fashion clothing should be avoided, including hair decorations. Nail varnish, make-up and temporary tattoos are not permitted. No jewellery other than wristwatches and plain stud earrings are allowed.

**Clubs** We will be starting most of our after school clubs in the week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> September. More information will be sent out next week.

**Many Thanks** to Eakers and Mr Dymond for supplying and making the amazing frames to house the lovely art work from last year's Reception/Year 1 classes. We are looking forward to putting these on display in the school and really appreciate the continued support of this local business.

**Story Time at Landscore** I am sure your children will have told you about our new policy to share a story with the children every day in class. We believe that sharing high quality texts will not only help to expand our children's vocabulary but will also encourage a love of reading for everyone.

**Forest School** Mr Poustie will be taking classes on a Friday afternoon on a rota basis to carry out a forest school session along with Mrs Powlesland who will be working with children in the garden. You will be notified when your child's class is having this session so that you can send them with a coat and sensible footwear if needed.

**Congratulations** to Isobel and Eli Waltho who successfully completed the library's Summer Reading Challenge, Space Chase. Isobel and Eli both read 6 books during the holidays and were able to talk about them. Well done to both of you and keep up your love of reading. I know we have a large group of other children who also undertook the reading challenge so I have asked them all to bring their certificates in on Monday for a group photo.

Congratulations also to Henry Windsor who passed his Octopus level 2 swimming certificate last week. Well done Henry and keep up the great effort with your swimming.

I hope you all have a great weekend.

Yours sincerely  
*Debbie Main*