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Dear Parents/Carers

We have had a very busy week in school with lots of events taking place including: New Reception Parents Meeting, Year 4 visit to Butterworth Hall for the Cultural Cantata, Early Bird session and the Evening of Music plus a few sporting competitions.

It continues to be busy over the last three weeks of term.

IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP

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| • Wednesday 6 th July | - | Citywide Transition Day |
| • Friday 8 th July | - | Year 3 Chicken Wired Sculpture Workshop |
| • Tuesday 12 th July | - | New to Year 1 Parents' Meeting (current reception parents): 3.45 pm |
| • " " " | - | Year 5 and 6 'Joseph and Technicolour Dreamcoat' Performance: 6.00 pm |
| • Wednesday 13 th July | - | Year 5 and 6 'Joseph and Technicolour Dreamcoat' Performance: 6.00 pm |
| • Friday 15 th July | - | Reports issued |
| • Tuesday 19 th July | - | Last Forest School session for class R3 |
| • Wednesday 20 th July | - | Parent 'Drop in' session: 3.30 – 4.30 pm |
| • Friday 22 nd July | - | Year 6 Leavers' Assembly: 2.00 pm |
| • " " " | - | Last day of Summer Term |

Teacher Training Dates

A reminder that the following day has been set as the final teacher training day for the rest of this academic year:

- Monday 25th July

Transition Day

This will be on Wednesday 6th July when most of the children in Year 6 visit their new secondary schools. All children currently in Year R to Year 5 will spend the day in their new classrooms and with their new teachers who they will meet first thing in the morning after assembly. A letter will be sent home with your child informing you of their new teacher at the end of the day. The before and end of the day arrangements for drop off and collection remain the same as at present.

We also look forward to welcoming the new Reception children, who will be joining Stivichall in September, as they attend for part of the day next Wednesday.

Staff News

We are delighted to welcome Mr J Tubbs as our new Facilities and IT Manager; he is due to start with us on Monday.

The following members of staff will be moving on to pastures new in the summer. We would like to thank them for their dedication and support to all the children, parents and staff and wish them every success for the future.

- Mrs E Watson has been a teacher at Stivichall for 5 years and taught many children in that time. She will commence her maternity leave at the end of the summer term and has taken the decision to not return so that she can spend more time with her family. She will be very sadly missed by everyone.
- Mrs Bal has secured a teaching post nearer to home.
- Miss F Ali-Yosef is leaving to seek a career as an Educational Mental Health Practitioner.
- Miss C Russell will be starting her Masters degree in Cambridge in September and we wish her well.
- Mrs T Sahota's temporary maternity contract will end at the end of term.

Our two PGCE students, Miss Quirke and Mr Lidbetter also leave us today after an eight-week placement. We wish them well as they continue with their journey with their educational careers.

We will be welcoming three new members of teaching staff (highlighted in bold below) in September; their class allocation can be seen below.

Next Year's Classes

The organisation of teachers for next September will be:

Reception	-	Mrs A Brazenell, Mrs L Dixon, Mrs N Matthews
Year 1	-	Miss S Balu, Miss Z Freeman
Year 2	-	Mrs J Tatchell, Miss A Sexton
Year 1/2 Mix	-	Mrs Gould/ Miss Lannin (SCITT)
Year 3	-	Miss E Petch, Mrs C Deller
Year 4	-	Mrs C Watson-Nash/Mrs C Geddes, Miss H Clayton
Year 3/4 Mix	-	Mrs R Baynes/Mr J Hartopp
Year 5	-	Mr J Daniel, Mrs S Price
Year 6	-	Mrs S Wainwright, Miss L Watson
Year 5/6 Mix	-	Mrs E Miller/Ms C Wright

Mrs Hill, Mrs Kavanagh and Mrs Khalid will provide PPA cover during the Autumn term. Mrs Dovey returns next week to teach in class 4S for the remainder of the term and will also be part of the PPA cover for the first three weeks of the new academic year. Mrs Dovey will then move on to her exciting new job as a Performing Arts Consultant.

We also look forward to welcoming the following support staff:

- Mrs R Sayed – Inclusion Team
- Mrs C Wallis – Support Staff
- Mrs R Shuter – Support Staff

Congratulations!

We are extremely proud of Mr J Wright who has passed his Digital Advocate Apprenticeship with Distinction and is the first Digital Support Technician to have achieved this level. We wish Mr Wright well as he looks forward to his next challenge.

School Transfer September 2022

It is important that you notify the school in writing, as soon as possible, if your child will be changing school in September. This ensures that places are offered in a timely manner and enables all schools to receive the appropriate funding for the forthcoming year.

Sports News

- Well done to our year 6 squad who took part in the Rounders Coventry West Final on Wednesday. It was a tough competition against Eastern Green, Grange Farm, St Augustine's and Park Gate. We had some pockets of fantastic fielding and batting but also made some errors that the other schools took advantage of. Each game was very close and we tried our best but we didn't make it through to the County finals. It is an outstanding effort and an achievement to get that far! *Mrs Matthews*
- Stivichall Primary joined Grange Farm for an athletics extravaganza yesterday afternoon. There were 27 of our year 4s representing our school in the 400m, a 50m sprint event, the long jump and javelin. The children, of course, were a credit to our school and competed with great determination and fairness alongside supporting both Stivichall and Grange Farm. It was a superb afternoon and the children represented our school beautifully! Well done all!

Go Parks ACTIVE Challenge

Go Parks ACTIVE Challenge is back! **Starting today!** It's time to get out in the evenings and weekends and enjoy being active at our local parks (War Memorial Park is our closest) and around Coventry. Sign up to get a Go CV card to enter, then simply scan the QR code on the poster in the park and select STIVICHALL to earn points for our school. This year there is a new virtual sticker book feature! Every scan earns a bronze, silver the gold sticker. How many parks can you get gold in? Please see the slides uploaded on your child's Seesaw school announcement to find out more about which parks to visit and how to sign up for a Go CV card if you haven't got one already. Please check Seesaw regularly about flash challenges (triple points Tuesday) and on the social sites - Twitter, Facebook and Instagram. There will be prizes to win and I hope our Stivichall community will all get involved and enjoy getting active. Mrs Matthews

Safety Message

Please can we ask all parents to reiterate safety measures to your child if they walk alone, to and from school, as well as when out and about outside of school hours and at weekends. There have been incidents in other areas of the city of children being approached by unknown adults. Children should be reminded of the importance of going straight home and maintaining a safe distance from unknown adults.

Year 6 Leavers Individual / Year 6 Group Photo/ School Team Photographs – Tuesday, 28th June

Children in year 6 and any children who are part of a school team / group had their photograph taken on Tuesday and should have brought home a leaflet with information on how to view and order photographs. Each leaflet showed a specific code to access the correct photograph. The only exception is the Rounders team photo of which proofs will be provided at a later date.

Evening of Music

A spectacular evening of music! All the instrumentalists and choir performed brilliantly last night, showcasing all their hard work and effort. Led by some of our Music tutors, the school band, orchestra and string group also played a variety of songs and wowed the audience with their musical prowess. They should all be very proud of their performance last night. A special thank you to Mrs Sedgebear and Ms Wright for organising and co-ordinating the event with the help of all Mrs Moffatt, as well as the visiting music teachers.

Year 4 Cultural Cantata

On Wednesday, our year 4 children performed at Butterworth Hall in Warwick Arts Centre alongside children from other local schools and musicians from Coventry Music as part of the Cultural Cantata. It was an incredible experience and wonderful to witness the smiling faces of our year 4 children performing some very challenging songs about the history of Coventry. Over the last few days, we have received messages of praise and positive feedback from parents and the hosts of the Cantata. Well done year 4 for your wonderful performance!

In our assembly today, your children listened to one of those songs and tried out one of the tongue twisters that the year 4 children performed. Why don't you have a go:

Caterpillar, stegosaurus, alligator, pomegranate, barracuda, ballerina, Cinderella, plum!

Queen's commemorative book

Today your child received a free commemorative book to mark Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee. This lovely book tells the story of a young girl, Isabella, visiting her Great Granny Joyce who tells her about the Queen and the Jubilee. Many facts, quotes and details of historical events and inspirational people are shared in this delightful book which really is one to treasure. It was wonderful to see so many children already enjoying the book as they left the school gates.

Eco Tip

Each week, our Eco Warriors will be sharing an 'Eco-Tip of the Week' with you in our newsletter. We will also be keeping the school website and Twitter updated with what the Eco team have been up to.



This week's top eco tip: Plant some trees in your local area to help the environment. (Heather, 3P)

School Meal Charges

Please remember to check your ParentPay account for any outstanding balances. Please settle all outstanding payments by Friday 8th July.

Price Increase

There will be a small price increase to school lunches which will come into effect from 7th September. The new price will be £2.30 per day.

Music Lessons: Academic Year 2022/2032

Thank you for all the music lesson request forms that have been returned, the deadline has now passed. We are delighted that so many children would like to learn instruments and will do our very best to accommodate as many as possible. However, as stated on the form, priority will be given to Key Stage 2 children, especially for guitar. Parents will be notified if their child does not get a place and their name will be added to a waiting list.

Payment Reminders

The following activity payments are live and are now due. You can pay either via your ParentPay account or by sending a cheque in to school. Please remember to complete and sign any associated paperwork and return it to school as soon as possible.

- Year 3 – Chicken Wire Sculpture Workshop
- Current Year 4 – Year 5 PGL Caythorpe Residential Trip deposit due by Friday, 1st July
- Current Year 5 – Year 6 Dol-y-Moch Residential Trip deposit due by Friday, 1st July

Stivichall Acorns Wraparound Provision

Bookings for the first half of the Autumn Term (Wednesday, 7th September to Friday 16th December) will open on Monday, 4th July at 10.00 and will close at 10.00 on Monday, 18th July.

To book a place, please visit: <https://stivichallprimary.magicbooking.co.uk/>

IMPORTANT: If paying with any childcare vouchers, please search for our school using our Ofsted Number: 103686. The only exception to this rule is for both Edenred or Sodexo providers. Please use the following account numbers to assign any payments:

- Edenred P21298861
- Sodexo 910960

Parking

We have again received complaints today of irresponsible and dangerous parking in and around Gregory Avenue. Please can I remind all parents to use consideration when parking, as well as respect in relation to our neighbour's driveways and properties.

As always, we advise parents to report any traffic and parking concerns to the traffic enforcement department:

<https://www.coventry.gov.uk/reportaparkingproblem>

Kind regards

Mrs K Ferguson

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