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Autumn Term Newsletter No.01**Friday 11th September 2020****Messages from Mrs Eveleigh...**

Dear Parents/Carers,

A very warm welcome back to the new school year, especially to all our new children and families. We also welcome our new TA Katie Watts into Class 3 at Webber's and Burlescombe welcomes Mrs Rich who is moving from Webber's into Oaks as their new TA. We hope to announce the new Squirrels Class Teacher shortly.

On behalf of the staff and myself, I would like to thank you for your very kind thoughts and cards sent at the end of last term. We feel it is a privilege to teach your children and in these unprecedented times we are very proud of how our children and families have coped throughout the past few months.

We would like to thank you all for following the new routines for the start and end of the school day, which appear to work well and meets the need to social distance appropriately. We appreciate that the staggered times may put pressure on other commitments you have and so I would like to say a special thank you for sticking to your group times. Please may we ask that children wait on the blue stars in the morning until they are collected, this will help us to get everyone into school as quickly as we can. And lastly, a quick reminder to all to please park nicely and not block any roads – thank you. ☺

The children look very, very smart this week. Thank you so much for taking care and time with their uniform. Just to let you know, we will be checking uniform and PE kit for names so please do make sure all items of uniform are named, including updating second hand uniform from ex pupils. Please also ensure PE kit is in school at all times from Monday morning **right through** to Friday. Also, please remember that the children need named coats every day together with water bottles, fresh fruit only (not snack bars) and book bags.

The Government pays for fresh fruit snacks for Reception and Yr1/2. All other children should have a fruit snack provided from home. Reception children are entitled to free milk. If you have not yet signed up, and would like your child to receive milk, please register today at www.coolmilk.com.

Please remember that dinner money **MUST** be paid in advance, as we are unable to provide credit for this service. School dinners for KS2 children cost £2.30 a day, which still represents good value for money. 1st half of term- £80.50. 2nd half of term - £80.50. Full term - £161. Cheques should be made payable to Devon County Council. We will continue to operate the current condensed menu for another week and then we will be able to switch to a more normal, fuller menu from 21st September. This menu will be sent to you early next week, with a copy uploaded onto the websites.

All Key Stage 1 pupils, (Rec, Yr 1 and Yr 2) are entitled to a

free Government meal. If you are a low income family, please email the office for help with how to apply for a free meal at any age - school receive additional funding for low income family meals, so it is important to us as well as being of benefit to your family.

PLEASE can you be aware that we have children with severe NUT ALLERGIES across The Valley Partnership schools and we therefore request that you do not send in nuts for ANY meals or snacks, in order to help keep these children safe. We thank you very much for your support in this. If your child has ANY allergies or medical requirements, please notify the school office **as a matter of urgency**.

We have many exciting learning activities planned around our SPACE topic this term. The curriculum letters will be out next week. After the success of online home learning we have decided to use electronic approaches to homework and spellings for the foreseeable, using Study Ladder and Spelling Frame. Homework will start as of next Friday.

Starting on **Monday 14th September**, we are offering an extended school day for 'Multiskills Club' in class bubbles only from 3:30-4:30pm as follows:

	WPS	BPS
Monday	Class 1	
Tuesday	Class 2	
Wednesday	Class 3	
Thursday	Class 2	Squirrels
Friday	Class 3	Oaks

There will be a range of activities offered by Premier Sports, all designed to be fun, engaging and to keep our children moving. Please email the office to register your child.

Kindest regards, *Deborah Eveleigh*

Deborah Eveleigh, Executive Head Teacher

GUIDANCE FOR CORONAVIRUS TESTING FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE:

The fastest way to get a result is to go to a testing site. Individuals will need a pre-booked appointment or they will not be given a test. People can also order home test kits to be sent directly to them. To book an appointment or order a home kit, please visit:

<https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-tests>

These routes remain the primary channels for any individuals displaying coronavirus symptoms to get a test.

MESSAGE TO WEBBER'S PARENTS: Please feel free to put any stray balls found on the road into the small red crates by the gates, these will then be sanitised and returned to the children. ☺

This week's **TEAM POINT** winners are

WEBBER'S: **OAK**

BURLESCOMBE: **KINGFISHERS**



STARS OF THE WEEK

WEBBER'S		BURLESCOMBE	
Reception	All of Reception	Acorns	Aleesa
Class 1	William	Squirrels	Savannah
Class 2	Freya	Oaks	Lewis
Class 3	Ethan		Rowan Eve

Diary Dates

Monday 14 th September	Webber's School Mon-Fri	Multiskills Club Start 3:30pm – 4:30pm weekly, Monday to Friday Please contact the office to register your child
Thursday 17 th September	Burlescombe School	Multiskills Club Start 3:30pm – 4:30pm weekly, Thursday & Friday Please contact the office to register your child
Friday 18 th September	BOTH SCHOOLS	Homework released
Monday 21 st September	BOTH SCHOOLS	New Dinner Menu starts

We will advise you where we can of any changes via email : Latest national guidance:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers>

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