



# The Links Primary School

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## Newsletter - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Welcome back! I trust that you have had an enjoyable summer break. It was lovely to welcome the children back to school this week. I was especially pleased with how well the new Reception children have settled in to their new classroom.

We would like to officially welcome Mr Proud, Year 5 class teacher and Miss Barron, Year 3 class teacher to the team. We know they will make wonderful additions to our team.

We hope you have noticed that we are close to completing the fencing around the front of the school - just the front gates to complete and then we are done. We will shortly be starting work on replacing the facias around the school. Many of you have noticed that they are looking really worn. These wooden facias will be replaced by UPVC ones and the school will be getting a new main entrance sign to complete the transformation.

We are continuing with plans to re-develop the KS2 playground. We are working with several companies to look at possibilities. I know this project was supported by the Friends of the Links last year, who have kindly donated monies towards the project. The children will be fully involved in the design of the area and we will keep you posted as we proceed.

Following the October half term the school should be a 'cashless' school. The school is in the process of adopting ParentMail. This system will allow parents to receive communications from school via email, text and the schools app. It will also allow for parents to pay for after school activities, educational visits and dinner money via the app. The school receives its final training on 3<sup>rd</sup> October and we hope to get you signed up and ready to use after half term. Watch this space!

<u>Star Pupils of the week</u>		<u>This week's Bucket Fillers</u>
For setting a good example Well done to: - Nursery Morning - Logan Basford Afternoon - George Middleton Reception - Molly Neville Year 1 - Finnan Hanrahan Year 2 - Lily Carter Year 3 - Daniel Woodward Year 4 - Liam Hope Year 5 - Esther Lloyd Year 6 - Max Nicholson		These children have received the highest number of nominations from teachers and children; Nursery Morning - Phoebe Eastwood Afternoon - Noah Herring Reception - Sonny Scanlon Year 1 - Jake Coning Year 2 - Amber Fletcher Lonsdale Year 3 - Christopher Marley Year 4 - Maddison Ogden Year 5 - Eve Siddaway Year 6 - Musa Siddiqi





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<u>Writer of the Week</u>	<u>Dinnertime Star of the Week</u>
<p>Nursery Morning - Jeddy Fapohunda Afternoon - Thomas Pindor Reception - Heidi Robinson Year 1 - Mia Spencer Year 2 - James Jordan Year 3 - Lucy Cartman Year 4 - Mariyah Siddiqi Year 5 - Jake Rigg Year 6 - Daisy Elliott</p> 	 <p>Max Webster Olivia Hutton Ruby Bivens Lucy Hutchinson Lottie Hassack Jeddy Fapohunda Noah Herring</p>

## Diary Dates for Autumn Term 1<sup>st</sup> Half

13<sup>th</sup> September - get to know your new year group Parent Meeting 4:00

18<sup>th</sup> September - Friends of the Links Coffee morning 9:00 - 10:00 (all welcome)

3<sup>rd</sup> October - Tempest to take whole school photos

4<sup>th</sup> October - Maths Workshops 4:00 - come and see how we teach mathematics in your child's class.

11<sup>th</sup> October - Year 4 class assembly for Parents - 10:00

17<sup>th</sup> October - Parent Consultations - 3:30 - 6:00

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20<sup>th</sup> October - PD DAY - school is closed to children

23<sup>rd</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> October - HALF TERM

## Parents Welcome Meeting

This is a reminder that on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September at 4:00, there will be a parent's information meeting across school. You will get the opportunity to meet your child's class teacher and get useful information about day to day life in your child's class. You will also get to find out about the curriculum and key learning that takes place in your child's class.

Information packs will be handed out on the night. If you are unable to make the meeting, a copy of the information pack will be sent to you the following day.

We look forward to seeing you there.



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## Crucial Crew

On Tuesday, Year 6 spent the morning at Crucial Crew. Crucial Crew is an innovative and interactive way of delivering personal and safety education messages to children, and seeks to encourage model behaviour and good citizenship through active participation in a range of scenarios including; Fire, Personal safety, Electrical safety, Road safety, Environmental issues and Health issues. The children thoroughly enjoyed their morning and were excited to explain to me all the information they had been taught. They were also keen and eager to spread the word and share some safety tips and advice with family and friends.



## Summer Holiday Fun

This summer a group of children worked with the artist Shirley Wells to design and make their costumes for the Stockton International Riverside Festival. The parade took place in Stockton High Street and it celebrated its 30<sup>th</sup> birthday. The event was a huge success and the children looked fabulous in their costumes. A big thank you to the teachers, children and parents who supported this event.



Mrs Kay

## Wrap Around Care

If you would like to book your child in to breakfast or after school club please contact Leanne Orton on 07487 400764 or send an email to [lplorton@thelinksprimary.org.uk](mailto:lplorton@thelinksprimary.org.uk). Alternatively you can pick up a booking form from the school entrance and fill in your requirements - these will then be passed on to Leanne.