



Sageston CP School Newsletter – June 2024



This Term's Values: Politeness and Empathy; Happiness and Resilience

Apologies for the late newsletter this month. It has been a very busy start to the month and I have struggled to find time to sit down and write it! However, there is a lot happening in school over the next five weeks (the final few weeks before the end of the school year), so it is important that I send this newsletter out with information about all of the key events we have coming up during the rest of the month and July.

Important Messages

Staffing and Class Structure – 2024/25

I will be in a position next week to inform you of staffing for next year and the teachers who will be working with each class. I will send this out via a separate letter at the end of the week.

INSET Days – 2024/25

Next year will start with an INSET day on Monday 2nd September. This is a designated INSET day meaning that all schools in Pembrokeshire will be closed for staff training. In addition, we have organised a second INSET day on Friday 13th September so that we can engage in some professional learning with staff at Tenby Primary School, St Oswald's Primary School and Stepside CP School. This day has been chosen based on the availability of the trainer.

There will be an additional four INSET days throughout the year. We have provisionally set Monday 4th November as a whole cluster INSET day where we will be working with colleagues from across the Tenby/Greenhill cluster of schools. Monday 28th April 2025 is also a designated INSET day in Pembrokeshire. Monday 21st July 2025 will be an INSET day, with staff having engaged in twilight training during the spring and summer terms to make up the time for this day. This will mean that school will finish for the summer holidays on Friday 18th July 2025. The sixth and final INSET for the day will be set at a later date and I will inform you of this in due course.

Sports Day

Our annual Sports Day will take place (weather permitting) at 1pm on Wednesday 26th June. Due to the success of last year's Sports Day at Carew Cricket Club, we will be holding this year's event at the same venue. Spectators will be welcome to bring their own chairs to the event. We ask for your co-operation in ensuring that pupils stay until the end of all of the races and that class teachers are fully aware when you collect your child at the end of the event. Any pupils left at the end of the event will be brought back to school to be collected at the usual time.

FOSS will be at the event selling refreshments.

Toileting Talk and Fussy Eating Talk and Drop-in Sessions – Health Visitor Team

On Monday 1st July, Sabrina Evans from the Health Visitor team will be holding a toileting talk and drop-in session for any parents who feel additional support with their young children would be helpful. On Monday 15th July, Sabrina will return to the school to hold a Fussy Eating talk alongside another drop-in session. These will be from 2pm and held in the school hall.

The aim of these sessions is to give parents an opportunity to access advice and support with children's behaviour, emotional wellbeing, toileting, immunisations, speech and language, sleep, safety in and outside the home, advice around eating (healthy eating/fussy eating) and dental hygiene.

Upcoming Dates

June

- Monday 17th June:** Rescheduled Mixed (Years 5 and 6) Cricket Festival at Carew Cricket Club
- Friday 21st June:** Summer Fair – between 2pm and 5pm
- Tuesday 25th June:** Year 2/3/4 PE event at Greenhill School
- Wednesday 26th June:** Whole school Sports Day (1pm at Carew Cricket Club)

July

- Monday 1st July:** Health Visitor 'Toileting' talk and drop-in session (2pm)
- Tuesday 2nd July:** Welston Challenge with the Darwin Centre (Year 4 pupils)
- Wednesday 3rd July:** Whole school Sports Day (reserve date)
- Monday 8th to
Thursday 11th July:** 'Our Locality' whole school topic week
- Friday 12th July:** Transition Day for all pupils – pupils to spend time in their new class for September with Year 6 pupils spending the day at Greenhill School
- End of year reports sent home
- Monday 15th July:** Health Visitor 'Fussy Eating' talk and drop-in session (2pm)
- Friday 19th July:** Final day of the term – Year 6 Leavers' Assembly (9.30am)

The Latest from FOSS

On Friday 21st June, we will be holding our annual summer fayre. It will start at 2pm and, as in previous years, we will release pupils from their normal porches. Robin and Barn Owl Classes – 1.55pm; Swan and Kingfisher Classes – 2pm. If you are unable to attend or collect your child/ren at this time, we will, of course ensure that they remain in school until the usual collection time of 3.20pm or 3.30pm when we will bring them back to the porches for pick up.

If there is anyone who can spare some of their time to help with the fayre next week, please contact Lisa Puzey or Kim Leach to discuss this further.

In addition, if you have any items you could donate to either the tombola or the raffle, we would be very grateful to receive them. Please bring them to school by Thursday of next week at the latest.

As always, I am incredibly grateful to the FOSS for their incredible support of the school, especially with key events such as the summer fayre.

Key Events and Visits

Since my last newsletter, there have been a number of events and visits happening throughout the school.

PC Carolyn visited the school to work with all classes on the School Beat programme. For Kingfisher Class, she led a session called, 'It's your choice'; for Swan Class it was 'Friend or Foe'; she presented 'Safe Haven' to Barn Owls and 'People Who Help Us' to Robin Class.

Barn Owl and Kingfisher Classes visited CrossFit Pembrokeshire on the Carew Airfield to engage in a CrossFit session led by Sam. Due to very poor weather, Sam kindly agreed to visit the school to work with pupils rather than them walking to the gym in the pouring rain.

In mid-May, Barn Owl Class had a visit to Dr Beynon's Bug Farm near St Davids as part of their 'Homes and Habitats' topic.

Girls from Year 5 and 6 competed in a cricket festival at Carew Cricket Club at the end of May and last week boys and girls from the same year groups participated in a practice event for a mixed cricket festival which was due to take place this week but was postponed because of the rain. The rearranged festival will now happen at the start of next week.

Kingfisher Class and Swan Class have been engaging with the 'My River' project throughout the term and have been on two community visits which incorporated spending time on the tidal estuary. In addition, Kingfisher Class went on a 'Source to Sea' trip with staff from the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park where they followed the Cleddau river from its source to the coast, earlier this week. We hope that Swan Class will get their opportunity to undertake the same visit later this term.

This week, a group of randomly selected pupils enjoyed a day out at Folly Farm for the Rotary Club's annual Kids Day Out event.

Finally, Kingfisher Class had their residential visit to the Urdd Centre in Cardiff at the start of this month. Pupils visited Sofia Gardens and played cricket with Australian test player Marnus Labuschagne, went on a speed boat trip around Cardiff Bay, visited the Big Pit and Techniquet, went bowling and spent some time in the Senedd. I am extremely grateful to Mr Davies and Miss Cole for accompanying the pupils during this fantastic trip; without staff giving up their free time to support such visits, we would be unable to provide pupils with these sorts of opportunities.

We are always very grateful to the visitors we have in school and to those who engage with our pupils on our visits to various places and providers. Their help is crucial in helping our pupils gain exciting, engaging and authentic learning experiences.

Celebration Videos

Here are the links to the celebration assembly videos for May and early June.

[3rd May](#)

[10th May](#)

[17th May](#)

[24th May](#)

[7th June](#)

If you don't already know the password to access these videos, please contact me via Class Dojo and I'll be happy to share it with you.