

Safeguarding

Tuesday 6th February is Internet Safety Day. Children will be taking part in activities to support them to stay safe online. Please follow the link below to access resources to enable you to support your child to use the internet safely.

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2018/sid2018-education-packs/education-pack-parents-and-carers>

Extended Provision

Just to remind you that in response to parent enquiries, we are looking into the viability of establishing before and after school childcare. The first step in this process is consultation with parents to establish need. Please can you access the survey below and complete on line by **Friday 2nd February**. I hope that all parents will complete the survey to enable us to get a true picture of parent need for childcare both before and after school. Once we have the results of the survey, I will be able to update you on the next stages.

www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/XXCGMB6

Parent Governor Elections Result

I am pleased to announce that Karen Kersey has been elected as the new Parent Governor representative on the School Governing Body.

Many thanks to everyone who voted and to the nominees for standing.

Reception Admissions 2018 Applications now closed

Late applications may still be considered. Please contact the school office for further information.

School Website

Our school website celebrated its first birthday last month. We continue to develop it and update it to ensure that parents have access to the latest information. Please let us know if you would like other information included. Also, please can I encourage you to click on the link to access the Parent View Website and complete the online questionnaire.



Proposed changes to parking in the area

As most of you are already aware, I have continued to be concerned about the safety of our children and their families, at drop off and pick up time. During last academic year, the School Council worked hard to raise awareness of the dangers of these times and what could be done to keep everyone safe. Most recently we contacted the Council to see if they would listen to our concerns and review that parking in the area around the school.

The council have listened and are undertaking a parking review in the area (see link below), which if implemented would reduce a small number of parking spaces close to the school. I realise that for some parents this will cause inconvenience and additional time spent finding a parking space and striding to school. There is an online survey which you can complete with either your support, objections, or any comments (link above).

<http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/parking/local-parking-news-and-updates/parking-news-and-updates-in-waverley/waverley-2017-parking-review>

To summarise, these are the proposed changes:

1. On the eastern side of St Nicolas Avenue, extend the existing double yellow lines to cover the entrance to the church car park and to maintain access and sight lines for the car park.
2. On the south side of Ewhurst Road, introduce double yellow lines opposite the junction with St Nicolas Avenue, to maintain sightlines, traffic flow and access at all times.
3. In addition, on the north side of Ewhurst Road, extend the existing double yellow lines from 'Ivy Cottage' up to the bus stop layby, to prevent parking opposite the junction with New Park Road and on the bend.

For several years now, there have been concerns about repeated 'near misses' on the zebra crossing on Ewhurst Rd - cars have been repeatedly not stopping when children/parents are halfway across, often just missing a child. In 2014, Antonia Creak (a parent) set up a council petition to try to get traffic lights put in place. There was much support from other residents and parents with over 200 signatures. Since then she has persisted with the council to try and get safety improvements in place. In 2016 having made little progress, she asked Anne Milton (MP) for help. She came to see it for herself and actually witnessed this exact problem, as a van whizzed past while a family were crossing on a Saturday morning. With her support, eventually the halo lights were added in 2016. This has helped improve the visibility of the crossing, but unfortunately these 'near misses' are continuing to happen - as shown in a report by parents in Feb 2017.

Antonia then met with the council Highway Engineer who noted that the parked vehicles were blocking forward visibility for pedestrians and drivers, resulting in failure of cars to stop at the crossing. One of his recommendations was for the proposed parking restriction on Ewhurst Rd, particularly opposite the junction with St Nicolas Avenue (Point 2 above). He came up with various other potential safety improvements for the crossing and these are currently sitting with the council awaiting funding decisions, but we do now have the support of Andrew Povey (Surrey County councillor for Cranleigh).

Waverley may adopt some of the parking proposal and reject the rest. If productive feedback is offered, plans may be amended and reissued for a further round of consultation in order to reach the best result for all.

Please look at the proposal and respond to the survey.

I would like to remind you to all take extra care at school pick up and drop off times, particularly when using the zebra crossing, and entering and exiting the school car entrances.

Diary Dates

FEBRUARY

2nd Anti-bullying performance theatre company visit

6th February INTERNET SAFETY DAY

7th 2-3pm Headteacher's Open Door drop in for parents

8th 2pm Parent Forum 3

9th INSET Day (Maths)

12th-16th HALF TERM SCHOOL CLOSED

22nd 2-3pm Headteacher's Open Door drop in for parents

MARCH

1st World Book Day

1st 2-3pm HT Open Door drop in for parents

2nd The Friends' Quiz Evening

8th 2-3pm HT Open Door drop in for parents

9th– 18th National Science Week

9th School Science Day

14th 3.15-4.00pm Open Classrooms

15th 2-3pm HT Open Door drop in for parents

19th Class photographs

20th 4.30-7.00pm Parents' Evening

22nd 4.00-6.30 Parents' Evening

26th start of Holy Week

29th Last day of Spring Term 3.15pm Finish

Vacancies

We currently have the following vacancies:

- Teaching Assistant and Lunchtime Cover
- Class Teacher

If you are interested in joining our staff team then please contact me via the school office to find out more or visit our school website.



Attendance figures for w.e. 26.01.18

	Class	%
	Reception	99.4%
	Year 1	93.8%
	Year 2	97.3%
	Year 3	90.7%
	Year 4	94.3%
	Year 5	99.2%
	Year 6	93.6%
	Whole School	95.3%

Well done to Reception class for the highest attendance last week

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Natalie McCarthy
Headteacher

Message from The Friends

Quiz Night is back on Friday 2nd March 2018

Due to popular demand, the school quiz is back! For those of you who have been before it will need no introduction, but for the new families amongst us – it's a fun packed evening hosted by a team of school parents who spare no expense or effort to give us all a great evening of entertainment and a chance to flex your general knowledge muscles just a little!

It will start at 7.30pm in the school hall; tickets are £13.00 per person, including a Fish & Chip supper (vegetarian option available – see below).

We are looking for teams of 8 people, and we only have space for 17 teams in the school hall, so don't miss out, book a table today! The quiz is open to everybody, so invite your neighbours, parents, long-lost cousins and friends from near and far! If you can't make up a group of 8 yourselves, email us and we will do all we can to match you with others to make a full team.

Places are limited so once you're ready to book email: vickyadams101@gmail.com with the following information:

Team Name

Number of people in your team

Name of team leader

Email address for team leader

Preferred catering option:

Fish & Chips or

Tempura Vegetable Medley & Chips

Payment by Cash or Cheques. Cheques to be handed in to the school office marked for QUIZ NIGHT and made payable to 'The Friends of St Cuthbert Mayne School' ASAP to