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Dear Parents and Carers

Family Writing Challenge

Our judging panel chose a winner from each of the groups who took part in our recent Family Writing Challenge. The judges were extremely impressed by the quality of the letters written by the children and their families so reaching a decision was very difficult for them. I am delighted to announce the winners as follows:



EYFS: Laura Jones

Y1/2: Isabella Sheard

Y3/4: Savannah Gibson-Rose

Y5/6: Sasha Preece

Family: The Haigh family

The winner from each category received a £10 book voucher. The overall winners were the Haigh family; their letter included a lovely poem celebrating all the special events that the Queen had lived through in her 90 years. Grace and Joseph (plus mum and dad) were awarded the *William Clowes Trophy*. Well done and thank you to everyone who took part. We have taken colour copies of all the letters we received and we will soon be sending them off to Buckingham Palace!

Sportathon Fundraiser







The weather did not dampen the spirit of Tilston School as staff and children got outside for an afternoon of sponsored sport to raise money for the new school hall. Dressed in their favourite sports kits, the children completed an exhausting afternoon of physical challenges including an assault course, football drills, Boxercise and Zumba.

I'd like to thank everyone involved in organising the day, especially Mrs Bryan and her team for coordinating the events and also our fabulous parent helpers including Mrs Mandy Clare (Zumba) and Mr Mark Harnden (assault course). Thanks to you all for supporting your child's sponsorship and for joining in with the dancing on the playground at the end of the school day! Please have a look at the [Sportathon galleries](#) on our website. We have already collected **£385.70** so do keep this money coming in!

Staffing for 2016-2017

As you are aware, we are expecting Miss Wright to begin her maternity leave early next term. In order to minimise any potential disruption at the start of the new academic year, we will be having a minor reshuffle in Key Stage 2. Mrs Corlett, Mrs Callister and Mrs Davidson have all agreed to extend their teaching commitments next year to help the school provide a stable and experienced teaching team in Key Stage 2. Mrs Corlett will work for 4 days in Year 5/6 and will be joined by Mrs Jo Fenner who has already worked regularly at the school in both our junior classes. Mrs Callister will move into Year 3/4 and will work for 3 days while Mrs Davidson will be with the class for the remaining 2 days. Elsewhere in school, there will be very little change and the organisation of our classes will be as follows:

Wrens 	Nursery Reception	Mrs P Edwards	Mrs C Toan Mrs J Hewitt Ms S Berisa
Robins 	Year 1 Year 2	Mrs C Bryan (Mon-Thur) Mrs A Davidson (Fri)	Ms M Hegarty Mrs E Lindsay-Gould
House Martins 	Year 3 Year 4	Mrs A Davidson (Mon-Tue) Mrs J Callister (Wed-Fri)	Mrs S Whelan Mrs E Lindsay-Gould
Kestrels 	Year 5 Year 6	Mrs J Fenner (Mon) Mrs R Corlett (Tue-Fri)	Mrs J Huxtable

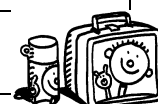
Children will have an opportunity to work with their new teacher/s later in the term as part of our usual 'Move Up Day'.

Wear **Blue** for Aash Day: 1st July



On Friday next week, schools in the local area are supporting a fundraiser for Aash-Jai Evans who attends Shocklach School. Many of you will know Aash as he used to attend the Bluebell Nursery and we would like you to join families from the local schools by wearing blue on the day. As our school uniform is already blue, perhaps your child would like to wear other items of blue clothing instead of his/her usual polo shirt and jumper. Further information about £1 donations were included in last week's newsletter.

LUNCH MENU for week beginning 27th June 2016	
Monday	Lemon chicken & pea risotto or pulled pork with BBQ sauce in jacket potato
Tuesday	Braised beef with baby potatoes & veg or sweet & sour quorn with noodles
Wednesday	Roast dinner
Thursday	Cornish pasty with wedges and beans or vegetarian lasagne with garlic bread
Friday	Fish and sauté potatoes or Mexican quorn wrap with tomato salsa



Tilston School Association News: Summer Fair on Friday 8th July



The Summer Fair is fast approaching and we are really hoping for some good weather! If anyone knows of any local businesses who would like to donate a prize to the Grand Summer Raffle please let Mrs Farmer or a member of the TSA know. All donations would be very much appreciated.

If families are able to bring in a filled jam jar, that would be great; they are always very popular. The TSA would like to do a 'Teddy Tombola' this year, so if you have any unwanted teddies (in good condition) we would love to have them. Finally, there will be a non-uniform day on **Monday 4th July** in exchange for a bottle of anything for the bottle tombola. Fingers crossed for the weather and a fantastic Summer Fair....

Online Payments

The school is currently trialing an online payment system for school meals. You should have received an email and/or text giving you details of the website and a password. If it works well, we can extend it to enable online payments for trips, uniform and Early Starters/After School Club. Please give it a try and let us have your feedback. Thank you.

★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★

YR	Joseph and Corey : for concentrating hard on their literacy work
Y1	Oli : for fantastic concentration when questioning the <i>Paper Bag Princess</i>
Y2	Holly : for brilliant concentration during maths and for thinking of an amazing number problem!
Y3	Amelie : for concentrating and following instructions all week
Y4	Mya : for focusing on improvements in literacy
Y5	Josh : for excellent concentration when writing
Y6	Will C : for excellent concentration and focus all week

English Country Garden Fete: Saturday, 25th June from 2.00 pm

We are crossing our fingers for a nice, sunny day on Saturday for the Church Garden Fete. The fete runs from 2.00 until 5.00 pm at **Grafton Hall Farm** (on the road between Tilston and Stretton). Reverend Jane would be delighted to see families from the school coming along

Our school choir will be singing a few songs at the fete and if your child is taking part, please arrive no later than **2.45 pm** (we are singing at 3.00 pm). The children do not need to wear their school uniforms. Thanks in advance for your support.

I hope to see lots of you there! Enjoy your weekend.

Yours sincerely

Mr R Harley