



Swimbridge CE Primary School

Inspire, Enable and Educate for 'Life in all its Fullness'.



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Swimbridge News

As you are aware, Swimbridge C of E Primary School will be working in partnership with Bluecoat C of E Primary School, Great Torrington, from September 2020, whilst the long term leadership of Swimbridge Primary is secured. I am delighted to be working closely with Angela Fleming, who will be the Executive Headteacher of the School and we have already begun making plans for the year ahead in order to make the most of this opportunity.

From September, we have agreed a new staffing and leadership structure for the school, which will include Angela Fleming as Executive Headteacher, working alongside Gemma Poland and Matthew Harts (Assistant Headteacher at Bluecoat) sharing the role of Acting Head. Caroline Gilbert will continue to contribute to the School Leadership Team through her SENDCo and inclusion role. The class teaching structure will be as follows:

- Adventurers Class Fiona Symons
- Discoverers Class Emily Long
- Explorers Class Michelle Horsman and Sophie Brookes
- Inventors Class Caroline Gilbert and Gemma Poland

Suzy Watts will continue to support the school with her expertise as our PE Coordinator

Please look out for an email confirming which class your child will be in from September and do not hesitate to contact the school should you have any questions.

Kind regards, Sandra Tibbles and Angela Fleming

I can confirm that, providing there are no national or local decisions made beyond the school's control in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, our governing board have ratified the revised COVID-19 Risk Assessment which will allow for our school to extend its current opening, to welcome all children in all year groups back on site from September 2020. To enable a smoother transition to larger numbers being accommodated on site, with the new health and safety measures and change to procedures that will be in place, our governors have made the decision to stagger the autumn term start dates as follows:

- Thurs 3rd and Fri 4th September—Staff INSET, no children on site (this remains the same)
- Mon 7th September—Inventors and Explorers classes welcomed on site
- Tues 8th September—Discoverers class and Adventurers year 1 children also welcomed on site
- Wed 9th September—Adventurers reception children also welcomed on site

The staff are all looking forward to being able to welcome all of our children back into school and will be working hard to ensure that the children are supported and nurtured upon their return. We are developing our curriculum and support to enable us to respond to the needs of all children and would like to reassure you that although strict safety measures and procedures are in place, and the classrooms and school site may look different, the children will not feel alarmed by this as it will be addressed in an age appropriate, positive way.

I have published the September COVID-19 Risk Assessment document on the school's website alongside the current RA document which remains in place until the end of this summer term. Further important information is also provided on the following page.

Added to extending the school's provision from September, you should all have received a letter that I sent out earlier this week, detailing our intention to be able to run our wrap around provision—Cool Kids Club. Spaces are filling up extremely quickly, so I would urge you to contact Steph in the school office as soon as possible should you wish to reserve a place for your child/ren.

Our school vision is to embrace the spiritual, physical, intellectual, emotional and social development of all.
 We strive for educational excellence by supporting and developing the following values:

Wisdom

Hope

Community

Dignity

Love

From September 2020:

- Children should be escorted to and from school by a maximum of one parent / carer each day to avoid congestion at the gates.
- Please do not bring your child to school if they have a raised temperature, have any COVID-19 symptoms or are struggling with poor respiratory function (coughing, sneezing, runny nose etc).
- Children will remain within their class 'bubble' at all times when on site and will not mix with other children from other classes. Break and lunchtimes will be staggered and the school will be zoned to prevent mixing.
- Children will be instructed and supervised to wash their hands at regular intervals throughout the day in an age appropriate (fun) way.
- A strict and increased cleaning regime will be in place at regular intervals throughout the school.
- School start and finish times will be staggered and the side access gate to school will be used to allow for class bubble groups to remain separate and to enable social distancing before and after school as follows:
 - Adventurers Class: Children arrive at 9am and go home at 3pm via the main gate entrance.
 - Discoverers Class: Children arrive at 8.40am and go home at 3.10pm via the main gate entrance.
 - Explorers Class: Children arrive at 8.50am and go home at 3.20pm via the main gate entrance.
 - Inventors Class: Children arrive at 8.45am and go home at 3.15pm via the side gate entrance (up the steps, nearest the Community Room).
- The school office will not be open for face to face business for parents and parents will not be permitted on site unless a pre-arranged appointment is in place. Parents should email admin@swimbridge-primary.devon.sch.uk or call 01271 830 437 and an appropriate member of staff will respond to any requests / enquiries made.

Due to our current Chair of Governor's term of office coming to an end, we will have a vacancy for a parent governor from September 2020. If you feel you might be interested in becoming a Governor at our school, please email govclerk@swimbridge-primary.devon.sch.uk to find out more or to register your interest. I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank Mr Wyeth for his dedication, commitment and support for Governing Board and for making such a difference to the life of our school. Thank you on behalf of the governors, staff, parents and children of Swimbridge CE Primary!

Please see the table below for information about the reduced school dinner menu that will be in place from 7th to 14th September. As a school, we have been asked to advise parents to make use of the school dinner service wherever possible, to reduce lunchbox storage and potential cross contamination issues. School lunches remain excellent value for children, at just £2.30 for a main and dessert, which as you will no doubt be aware, is less than a coffee in most coffee shops. All food is freshly prepared on site and will be served in take away containers with disposable cutlery.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main	Cheese & Tomato Pizza (vegetarian suitable) with Sweetcorn & Potato Wedges	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans	Hunters Chicken & Rice with Mixed Vegetables	Organic Pork Meatballs in Tomato sauce with Pasta & Broccoli	Mini Battered Fish Fillet with Peas & Chips
Vegetarian Alternative			Vegetarian Quorn alternative	Tomato Pasta	Vegan Sausage Roll
Desserts	Pip Organic Ice Lolly & Fresh Fruit	Langage Farm Ice Cream Tub & Fresh Fruit	Yoghurt Pot & Fresh Fruit	Fruit Smoothie & Fresh Fruit	Mini Blueberry Muffin & Fresh Fruit

Please don't forget that on Monday 20th July, we will have our 'drive/walk/ride-by wave' where children and parents can visit Swimbridge, wave and have a distanced chat with school staff to mark the end of the summer term. We look forward to seeing you and your child/ren on this day at the allotted times below:

- 10.00-10.20am: Mrs Horsman's family group
- 11.00-11.20am: Mrs Gilbert's family group
- 12.00-12.20pm: Miss Long's family group
- 1.00-1.20pm: Mrs Jeffery's/Symons family group

A reminder to our year 6 that also on 20th, we are inviting you to join us on site from 1.30pm—2pm. There will be goodies for you all, so we hope that you are able to join us!

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a lovely weekend. Mrs Tibbles