

# Welcome to Newlands Primary School



WE ARE DELIGHTED THAT YOUR CHILD IS JOINING US AT NEWLANDS

# Purpose of this meeting

- ▶ To introduce The Senior Leadership Team, members of the Early Years Team and Office staff
- ▶ To outline the procedures for induction into our school including the routines and procedures which will affect you and your child. (Important even if you know the school already!)
- ▶ To explain the start and induction into school as things do change each year!
- ▶ .....Finally to answer any questions!

# Introductions:

Staff here this evening

- ▶ Mr W. Neighbour, Head Teacher
- ▶ Mrs J. Moore, School Business Manager
- ▶ Mr C. Gray, Deputy Head
- ▶ Mrs Walker, KS1 Leader
- ▶ Miss E. Davies, Class teacher
- ▶ Mrs S. Stringer, Learning Support Assistant

# School Governors

## Governing Body Details (current and previous academic year)

### Our **CURRENT** Governing Body members are:-

- ▶ Mrs Jackie Clapton                  Parent Governor
- ▶ Mr Andy Fowler                      Co-opted Governor & Vice Chair
- ▶ Mr Mark Furzland                    Staff Governor
- ▶ Mr William Neighbour                Headteacher
- ▶ Mr Daniel Holladay                  Co-opted Governor & Chair of Governors
- ▶ Mrs Jacqueline Payne                Parent Governor
- ▶ Dr Andy Risius                        Co-opted Governor
- ▶ Mrs Lisa Robinson                    Parent Governor
- ▶ Mr Matthew Wynn                    Parent Governor

# The beginning of a new journey

- ▶ It is an important step for your child in their education career and when they enter Newlands it will be an exciting and daunting new experience for them (and you). It is crucial that your child's first experience is an enjoyable one and we will do our utmost to ensure they have fond memories of their start.



# Getting to know you..

- ▶ There is a pre-visit for each child on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June, 2-3pm (parents are invited to stay for a cup of tea) and Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July, 9.30-11.30am (children only).

The purpose of these visits are:

- ▶ To meet the Class Teacher and Support Staff.
- ▶ To enable the children to become familiar with the classroom they will be in, where the toilets are and where to put their coats and bags etc!
- ▶ To show children where they will eat their lunch.
- ▶ To show the children the different learning areas.

Home visits will take place:

- ▶ In the beginning of September. You have been allocated a time slot - please make sure you have your date a time before you leave.

# Induction Pack

Forms to be returned to the school office ASAP or by the very latest 7<sup>th</sup> June

- ▶ Welcome pack
- ▶ Admission arrangements
- ▶ 'Golden Rules'
- ▶ Hampshire Ready Steady School leaflet
- ▶ Term dates
- ▶ Attendance & punctuality
- ▶ Security arrangements
- ▶ Permission slips – visits / photographs / data protection/ data collection
- ▶ Text/e-mail registration form
- ▶ E-safety
- ▶ Medical concerns form
- ▶ School meals including UIFSM and the Milk scheme
- ▶ Pupil Premium Funding
- ▶ Uniform Policy and order form
- ▶ F.O.N.D.S
- ▶ Policies & procedures are available on the school web-site
- ▶ Water bottle

# ATTENDANCE.....

## Absence:

- ▶ Please telephone and inform the school if your child is absent and give the reason. This should then be followed up in writing on your child's return to school.

## Illnesses:

- ▶ Infectious illnesses **MUST** be reported immediately (e.g. Chickenpox, Measles, Conjunctivitis)

## Sickness:

- ▶ If your child has a stomach or sickness bug **THEY MUST** remain at home for at least 48 hours after the last bout.
- ▶ If your child becomes ill during the day we will make contact with you immediately and ask you to come and collect or arrange for another person to collect on your behalf





# The Curriculum

We will invite you into the classroom for a more detailed curriculum meeting once the children are all in and settled.

- ▶ Each area is carefully planned for and incorporates activities from each of the 7 areas of learning, made up of adult-led and independent activities.

An overview of the Early Years Foundation Stage which has its own curriculum made up of 7 areas of learning.

- ▶ Communication and Language
- ▶ Literacy
- ▶ Mathematics
- ▶ Understanding the World
- ▶ Expressive Arts and Design
- ▶ Physical Development
- ▶ Personal, Social and Emotional Development



# Working in partnership..

- ▶ The curriculum will be led by the children. We will provide you with a piece of homework for you to share with us any significant fascinations that your child may have.
- ▶ The children will be exploring every aspect of the curriculum in a way that is tailored to their interests.
- ▶ Develop skills in exploration, investigation, problem solving, prediction, discussion and decision making.
- ▶ Expressive arts and design covers art, music, dance, role and imaginative play.



# Reminders:

- ▶ Children will take their own coats off and be supported to do this and hang them up if necessary (please make sure they are labelled).
- ▶ Please label everything that comes into school, things do have a tendency of becoming detached from your child.
- ▶ Please allow the teacher to lead the children into the school to hang up coats and settle them down.
- ▶ Children should bring their school water bottle and this must be labelled – they bring this in themselves.
- ▶ Please make sure that we know who is collecting your child at the end of the day and if there are changes, please write them on the message board. If something happens during the day and situations prevent you from collecting your child, alternative arrangements should then be sent to us via the school office.

# Practical details:

- ▶ Children come straight into school and are handed to us between 8.30-8.45am
- ▶ May cry initially, soon stops!
- ▶ They enter the classroom, put personal things away and begin their early morning tasks.
- ▶ Registration takes place each morning and afternoon
- ▶ Collect children from Reception door at 3.15pm
- ▶ Please ensure all uniform is labelled with child's name
- ▶ Children need to be suitably dressed for school each day
- ▶ We provide fruit and milk (up to 5years) to all children.
- ▶ Children have “accidents”. If these are regular, please provide a set of spare clothes. However your child could be toilet trained before joining us in September.



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# Communication... working together

The common question all parents ask and very often don't get the response they want is.....

"What did you do at school today?"

Responses:

"I played all day"

"I had nobody to play with all day"

"I can't remember"

"Nothing!"

# School lunches

- ▶ The school dinners are cooked on site. The menu is changed in October and April and new menus are always sent home in advance. Mrs J. Phillips-Stafford is here with us this evening to talk to you in more detail about school lunches.
- ▶ For the first few weeks Chestnut staff are in the hall supporting the children and helping them settle, make good choices and eat independently.
- ▶ As your child is under 7 years of age you do NOT have to pay for school dinners at the moment....they are free!
- ▶ If your child needs a special diet please come and talk to us after this presentation and we can give you the necessary paperwork



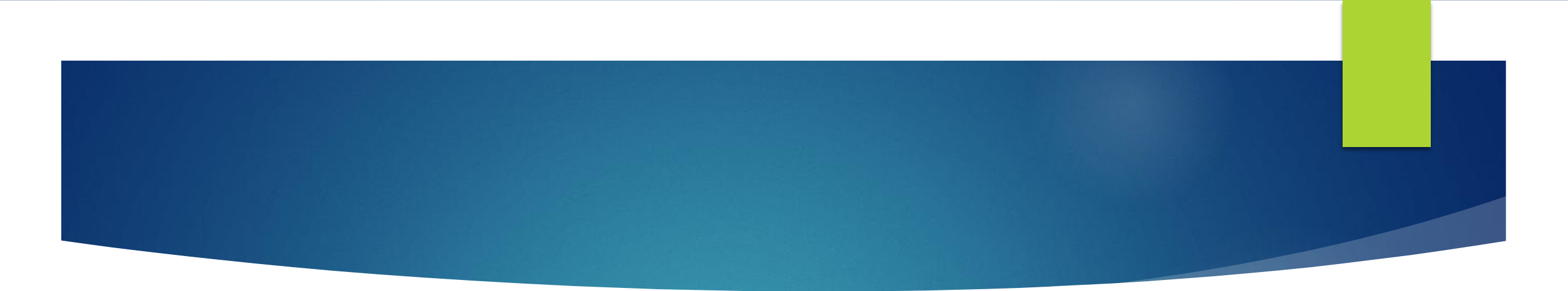
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# F.O.N.D.S

Friends of Newlands

Our PTA (FONDS) make a huge impact in helping to provide a successful learning environment. They are currently raising money for new school laptops and this year have contributed £1400 towards educational visits. The FONDS AGM is normally held in October, all are welcome it's a great way to meet other parents and support the school.





We are committed to working closely with parents, we are always pleased to see any parent requiring information or advice. If we cannot meet with you immediately we will always arrange a mutually convenient time to do so.

Any Questions?