



# Grands Vaux Primary School

Headteacher: Miss Maria McCool



Friday, 12 January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to newsletter 3. I hope you had a n enjoyable Christmas and New Year with family and friends.

## **Rescheduled Autumn Term Parent Teacher Meetings 10.1.24 and 11.1.24:**

Thank you to those parents and carers who were able to make the Autumn Term rescheduled Parent Teacher Consultations. If you missed your appointment and would like feedback on your child's progress then please do let us know. We will, however, be undertaking our usual Spring Term Parent Teacher Consultations after ½ term. More details to follow.

## **OPAL update:**

The children have enjoyed their new playground resources and feedback about the reorganisation of the eating slots to accommodate a larger block of play time has been positive.

As a result of enjoying the recent snow and an increase in the need for loan clothes, I share a plea that if your child has borrowed school clothes, as they have become muddy and/or wet during play, that you return them. Our stock of emergency loan items has dwindled somewhat and we now have very limited stocks. This will impact on what we can provide should children need to borrow loan clothes. A reminder that if your child does get very engrossed in their play and get muddy or wet, you may want to provide a spare change of clothes. This alongside a warm, waterproof coat, wellies and gloves/scarf/hat is also recommended during this very cold and wet weather.

## **Flourish (Hot Lunches):**

New Spring Term 24 menu is available on the Caring Cooks website here - <https://www.caringcooksofjersey.com/flourish-primary-schools> or a hard copy is available from the main office. This explains how to register and select the hot lunch requests for your child(ren). Orders must be placed a week in advance.

Caring Cooks have shared that If you are in receipt of Income Support, your child will qualify for free school meals. Simply register at <https://flourish.myschoolmealorders.com> and send a copy of your income support letter to [flourish@caringcooksofjersey.com](mailto:flourish@caringcooksofjersey.com)

## **Bentley Photographic:**

Bentley are undertaking individual portraits and sibling portraits on Monday 05/02/2024.

Sibling Portraits will be taken from 8.15-8.45am.

Individual Portraits will be taken from 8:45am onwards.

Please ensure your child(ren) come to school in full school uniform.

## **Free Second-Hand Uniform:**

As you are aware, our take rails in the front entrance to school, are unnamed lost property that have not been claimed. These items can be taken free of charge.

I have also been made aware of the following Facebook page – School Clothes Bank Jersey CI – free second-hand uniform - (<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61551584833195>)

## **DATES:**

INSET Dates – Wednesday 27 March 2024, Friday 24 May 2024 - school is closed to the children

## **Public Health Jersey – Family Food and Fitness Programme:**

Please see attached flyers about Family Food and Fitness Programmes being run by Public Health. The programme is available to families with primary school children, who are above a healthy weight. It might not be suitable for all children. Whole families are welcome to take part, including siblings. The FFF Team of health professionals, such as a dietitian, psychologist; a chef and physical activity expert, are there to support with making healthy life style choices and answer any questions. More details on registration and dates/times/venue attached.

## **CAMHS Support and Advice:**

Please see attached flyer about a session for parents and carers of children with ADHD being held at Samares school on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January 6.30-8.30pm. Details of how to register are explained in the flyer.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any queries, concerns or there is anything I can do to help and support you with your child's learning and school life. All at Grands Vaux Primary School are committed to the well-being of your child/ren so if we can help, please let us know.

Kind regards

Miss Maria McCool – Headteacher