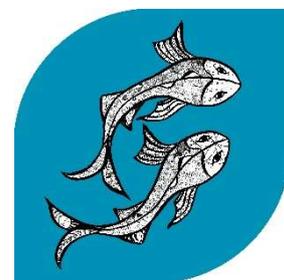


St Levan Primary School
where all children SHINE...for life

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18th April 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

TRANSITION PROGRAMME FOR SUMMER TERM 2024

I am very pleased to welcome you and your child to our school family. We are all very much looking forward to working with you over the coming years. I am writing to let you know about some dates for our Transition Programme. We know you and your child might be feeling both excited and anxious about the transition into Reception. We want to reassure you that we're here for you every step of the way. We hope the activities that we've planned will help put your child (and you!) at ease and get everyone feeling as excited as we are for the new school year. Details of our transition programme are as follows:

- *Little Levans*, with the wonderful John Brolly, will continue during the Summer Term. Parents and children can attend these sessions together for an afternoon of singing, storytelling and fun! The sessions will take place mostly every other Friday during the summer term between **1.30-2.45pm**:
 - 19th April
 - 10th May
 - 24th May
 - 14th June (also the Summer fete!)
 - 28th June
 - 5th July
- '*Getting to Know You*' sessions where the children come into school and spend some time, without their parents, getting to know each other, the grown-ups and teachers they'll be working with as well as the learning environment. These dates are:
 - **Thursday 6th June 9.00-10.45am**
 - **Monday 17th June – Friday 21st June (daily) 9.00-10.45am**
 - **Wednesday 3rd July 9.00-12.00pm**
 - **Monday 15th July 9.00-1.00pm** (children are invited to eat lunch at the school with their peers on this day. They are welcome to bring either a packed lunch or to have a school dinner. I enclose a copy of the school menu for this term. If your child would like a school meal (it's free!), please email the school secretary at secretary@st-levan.cornwall.sch.uk to inform us of your meal choice before that day or complete the slip at the end of this letter. Thank you.)
- *Home visits*. These are a really good way for staff to get to know both you and your child and vice versa in a relaxed atmosphere, exchanging information and planning your child's start in September. You'll have the chance to ask questions and to discuss any specific concerns

you might have. Home visits will be take place on **Wednesday 10th July**. Nearer the time, we'll contact you with a more specific time and further details. If this date is not possible, please contact the school office at your earliest convenience to arrange an alternative.

- *Parent Handbook*, written by existing parents and illustrated by pupils. This guide to St Levan School will answer many of the questions you may have about life and learning at St Levan. These will have been handed out to you at one of the Little Levans sessions. If you have not yet had one, please let the school office know and we'll make sure you get one.

I have enclosed some information about an activity to keep you busy between now and our first 'Getting to know you' session on 6th June and to help your child with their transition to the school. Each child will show the contents of their box and explain in simple terms what they mean to them.

Finally, it would be really useful to us if you could give permission to contact any previous setting your child has attended (pre-school, nursery etc.) to further strengthen the transition process. Please complete the permission slip at the end of this letter. It would be lovely to see any learning journeys or 'reports' from these settings too. Thank you.

We look forward to getting to know you and your child over the coming weeks. In the meantime if you have any urgent queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jessica Ferguson', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Jessica Ferguson

Choughs Class Teacher

'Getting to know you' sessions

Please indicate which transition days you are able to attend (please tick):

<input type="checkbox"/>
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My child is able to attend all the 'Getting to know you' sessions

My child is unable to attend on: _____

My child would like a free school lunch on **Monday 15th July** **YES/NO**

My child will have a packed lunch from home **YES/NO**

Signed**Parent/Guardian** **Dated**

Contacting pre-school settings

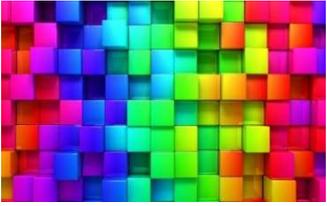
I give my permission for St Levan school to contact my child's preschool/nursery to support the transition process.

Name of pre-school/nursery:

Signed**Parent/Guardian** **Dated**

Shoebox of Special Things

During the first session in June, we will be sharing things which are important to us. We are asking all of our new children to compile a shoebox of special things to share during this first session. We will talk about what we've brought before decorating the boxes. The shoebox can include photographs or art work as well as physical objects which are significant or tell us something about you. Here are some ideas on what to include:

<p>A photograph of my family</p> 	<p>Something which tells you about my personality</p> 	<p>An object of my favourite colour</p> 
<p>Something I like</p> 	<p>Something I don't like</p> 	<p>Something which I have made</p> 
<p>Something I'm proud of</p> 	<p>How I'm feeling about starting school</p> 	<p>Something I'd like to know more about</p> 

Those are just some ideas! Please also include anything else which you think is relevant or important.

Thank you.