



SPLM

N E W S L E T T E R

DEAR PARENTS, CARERS AND FRIENDS

We have had an exciting and energetic start to our new school year with pupils showing confidence and enthusiasm about being back at school. It is lovely to feel the happy and friendly atmosphere around school and witness the development of resilient and caring relationships within our community.

Enthusiasm



Respect



Confidence



Happiness



Love of Learning

INFORMATION for parents/carers

A gentle reminder that your first point of contact for information regarding your child, including information and money/paperwork concerning class trips, is the class teacher. If you have any concerns or problems or require clarification or information please contact the class teacher in the first instance.

Mrs Seal does a sterling job as our school administrator and is kept extremely busy with a long list of tasks. Your class teacher is well placed to support you on what is happening on a day-to-day basis in class. Thank you for your consideration.

Harvest Celebration

We are delighted to invite you to our annual Harvest Celebration at St Mary's Church on Friday 28th September at 2.30pm.

As usual, we will be very grateful for any items of food you may be able to donate for us to take to the church and these can be brought into school from today. The children are looking forward to entertaining you with some songs and poems about harvest time and the Reception age children will be bringing the food hampers to the front of church before returning to school.

Children will be returning to school after the celebration, where you can collect them in the usual way. If you would like to park at school and walk down with us at 2.10pm, we would be grateful for some extra adult support. Thank you. During the service a collection for the Southern Food Bank will be made.

Changes to Parents' Evening organisation

The first Parents' Evenings of the year will be held after the half term holidays - please see the 'Dates for your Diary' section of this newsletter. Instead of sending out letters and the teachers making appointments for you, there will be a list up in each classroom for you to choose a suitable appointment for yourselves. We will be confirming this new arrangement by sending a letter out before half term. The letter will clarify when the lists will be available and hopefully answer any questions you may have. If you would like to speak to someone before then please contact your child's teacher.

We anticipate that this will be a simple and effective way to make appointments and we shall be seeking feedback on the changes after the meetings have taken place.



Enthusiasm  Respect  Confidence  Happiness  Love of Learning

School Photographs

School photographs will be taken on the morning of Wednesday 19th September 2018. All pupils will be photographed individually and with any siblings who attend SPLM. Class photographs will also be taken.



If you wish your pre-schoolers or Castle Rushen High School children to be photographed with their siblings, please take your children directly to the Sports Hall at 8.30am.

Entry forms
available from
the front of
school

Dates for your diary



Junior Fell Running
Championships



Bradda Head

Saturday 29th September
above Bradda Glen, Port Erin

12:30pm sign on for years 2, 3 & 4
1:30pm first race - year 2
2:30pm sign on for years 5, 6 & 7
3:00pm first race - year 5

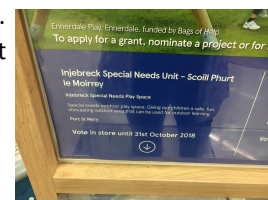
Injebreck has been selected to be one of the chosen charities for the Tesco "bags of help scheme". Our application is to improve our classroom's outdoor play space. We hope to purchase new outdoor play and learning equipment, in particular equipment for our sensory learners.

We need your help. When shopping at Tesco please put your charity tokens in our box and please spread the word to your friends and family. We are up against two other schools so the competition is tough.

The charity with the most tokens receives the greatest sum of money.

1st place £4000, 2nd place £2000, 3rd place £1000.

Voting is open until October 31st 2018.



School Council Elections		Wednesday 26th September
Harvest Celebration	St Mary's Church	Friday 28th September - 2.30 p.m.
Year R Parent Meetings	Weeks commencing 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd October	
Venture Centre	Year 5	Wednesday 3rd October - Friday 5th October
Half Term Holidays		29th October to 2nd November
Back to School		Monday 5th November
Parents' Evening		Monday 12th November - 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Parents' Evening		Tuesday 13th November - 3.45 p.m. to 5
Christmas Carol Concert	Years 3, 4, 5, 6	Tuesday 11th December - 6.30 p.m.
Carols in the Barn	Years R, 1, 2	Wednesday 19th December - 10.30 a.m.
Christmas Parties		Thursday 20th December - p.m.
Christmas Holidays		24th December to 4th January 2019
Back To School		Monday 7th January 2019
More dates are likely to follow and changes are possible to the information given above		

Please see the message from Clair Barks attached to this newsletter, inviting you to be involved in the Health and Social Care Review.

Ange Callaghan

Headteacher

Independent Health and Social Care Review – Volunteers to Represent the Isle of Man Society

Dear all

I am writing to invite our Island's schools to consider teachers, students, parents, staff and anyone else who would like to be involved in the future of health and social care on our Island.

As you may be aware, Sir Jonathan Michael is undertaking an independent, fundamental [Review](#) of the current system with the objective to determine options to **fund and provide a modern, fit for purpose health and social care system**. The Review is being supported by myself and my Secretariat team on Island and by the expertise of external consultants.

Sir Jonathan has been meeting with those delivering and receiving care on the Island and we, as a population, are [invited](#) to provide our comments and suggestions on the current and future health and care system, primarily through an [online hub](#).

However, Sir Jonathan is also keen to utilise other forums, such as workshops and focus groups, to obtain an informed perspective of the current situation and future direction for the service and we need volunteers to take part in these sessions.

The workshops and focus groups will be taking two forms. One set will involve the consideration of specific questions and topics relating to the [Terms of Reference](#) for the Review by a mixed group of individuals – patients/lay persons, clinicians, managers, experts etc.

The second set will comprise a group of individuals that **represent a cross-section of the Isle of Man's society to provide a considered view of opinions** on a) the current system (what does and does not work) and b) what the future system may look like. This group will convene around September for an initial discussion to provide context and again during the course of the Review to discuss possible directions of travel. The purpose of the group will be to **help ensure that the Review's final report presents a practical and workable model for the future**.

It is primarily the second set that we are looking to schools to offer one or more representatives to join, although there would be the option to join the first set as a lay person if they so wished.

I hope that we will be able to identify **someone or a number of people who would like to help shape the findings of the review**, which are intended to positively affect all those receiving care on the Island for generations to come.

I would be very grateful if anyone interested in taking part, or anyone who would like to know more, could contact me directly or the Secretariat team on 650759 or by email to DHSCReview@gov.im.

Clair Barks
Head of Healthcare Review Secretariat

Cronk Coar | Noble's Hospital | Strang | Braddan | Isle of Man | IM4 4RJ
Tel: 01624 650076
E-mail: clair.barks@gov.im