



GOVERNORS' NEWSLETTER

May 2017 Edition

Parent/Carer Survey

Every year we will be sending out a questionnaire to Parents and Carers with questions designed to gather your views.

Some of you may have seen these questions before as we have used them in the past, and they are also part of the questions sent out by Ofsted if they undertake an inspection.

The survey gives us vital feedback, and we would urge as many of you as possible to fill it in so we have as current a picture of opinion amongst you all, especially during a year of change. It's quick, easy to complete and is available by clicking this link [here](https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CKS2017) or enter the following in your browser:
<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CKS2017>

The deadline for completion is Friday 9 June.

All new Breakfast Club!

Our previous Parent Survey highlighted strong demand for a Breakfast Club, and we are now able to give you some exciting news!

A new Breakfast Club will be opened by Autumn Cottage, a highly regarded and trusted local childcare provider which is already used by many CKS families. Autumn Cottage are already talking to their existing CKS customers about the changes this entails.

With OFSTED approval to start the new club in School already gained, we are aiming to open at the beginning of the next School year (Sept 17), subject to completion of a few last checks.

The new club will be run and administered entirely by Autumn Cottage, and so any

enquiries or queries concerning the club will need to be directed to the Autumn Cottage team. CKS will purely be used as the venue.

Final details will be released by Autumn Cottage soon, and will be forwarded via Parent Mail.

We're delighted that Autumn Cottage will be partnering with us to enhance the School's childcare provision.

Funding, FOCKSA & Fun

The school funding squeeze has been well documented and covered in the media. This newsletter has also highlighted that the CKS budget will necessitate some hard decision making going forward to balance the books and make provision for first class teaching.

We are very lucky to have FOCKSA, our parent run charity that supports the school with additional funding (to name but one of their activities). Their work to raise money running numerous events throughout the school calendar is hugely appreciated; we salute members past and present.

If you can provide FOCKSA with help in the future, please do try and find the time as any assistance will be much appreciated (now more than ever as the funds they generate become more vital).

We would like to thank FOCKSA for their latest present, which you'll have noticed rising from the ashes of the old (condemned) play area. The new adventure play area gives all the children a first class area for some fun and challenging ways to build those climbing skills. Thank you all.

Governing Body Changes

There have been several changes over the last few months to the Governing Body that we would like to highlight:

- Charlie Blackham has finished his tenure as Parent Governor, and we would like to welcome James Pope as his replacement.
- Nigel Butler resigned his position as Local Authority Governor, and we are still looking for a replacement. Ideally we are looking for a non-parent to ensure we have a completely independent perspective on the Governing Body.
- Miss Hammond resigned her position as Staff Governor, and staff holding an election to replace her (watch this space)

We thank Charlie, Nigel and Sian for all of their time, effort and care given during their tenure.

In addition to these goodbyes we would also like to welcome back Mrs Charlton to the School and as part of the Governing Body too.