

## Newsletter Number 29



Dear Parents/Carers,

The morning sun shone bright for us on Wednesday as we came together in the school garden to celebrate our St John's festival. It was such a joy to see all the different classes gathered, with kindergarten also joining us to watch all that was going on. We heard a story and sang together, before the fire was lit by the Class 5's. We each then had the chance to place our herbs on the flames, the aroma to be shared by all, and then one by one we jumped the fire. There was a beautiful moment where the kindergarten children spontaneously began to dance around and jump across their own little 'fire'.

Our St John's Project, the Community Hive, is coming together; it's not too late to contribute (we will continue to add to it until the end of term), so please do work on your hexagon and return it to school, or contact Kelly or Stef for more details. We have more photos to share from Wednesday and will find a way to do this before the end of term.

Have a good weekend!

Warm wishes

Sarah Fox



## Term Dates

Last day of the summer term: since we are only in school Monday to Thursdays, the last day in school for both Kindergarten and the Lower School will now be Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July.

**Please note: due to the current circumstances, our End of Year Celebrations will of course need to take a different form this year, as we will not be able to welcome parents on site or have any large gatherings. Celebrations will take place within our learning bubbles and Class Teachers will be in touch to confirm details.**

Autumn Term start - Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September (Kindergarten have a staggered start)

Term Dates for 2020-2021 can be found on the [school website](#).

## Whole School Messages/Community Updates

### **NEW: COVID Reminders and Safety Precautions to Support School to Remain Open**

Please continue to support the safety of our school community by:

- Arriving on time for pick up and drop off and leaving promptly having dropped off/collected your child(ren)
- Keeping a considerate distance from anyone not in your household
- Only one parent from a household coming in to pick up/drop off
- We would expect that only a member of your household should be collecting your child(ren) from school (if you are in an exclusive 'support bubble' (more info [HERE](#)) it would be helpful if you could please let your class teacher know)
- Ensuring you are aware of government guidelines on travel when planning your journey to school – more info [HERE](#)
- Informing reception if anyone in your household is displaying symptoms of COVID-19, and get tested (more info on testing [HERE](#)) – please let the school know immediately if your child tests positive for Coronavirus.

Please note: if a child or staff member tests positive for Coronavirus then all members of their learning bubble will need to self-isolate for 14 days, along with anyone else who has had contact with that person (in line with NHS Test and Trace guidance).

The main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are ([NHS link](#)):

- a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

We encourage you to keep up to date with the latest developments and continue to follow government guidelines. Useful links:

- <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>
- <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-outbreak-faqs-what-you-can-and-cant-do/coronavirus-outbreak-faqs-what-you-can-and-cant-do>
- <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public>
- NHS: [What parents need to know about COVID-19](#)

**NEW: Next Open Morning on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July**

Last Saturday we opened our doors to a number of prospective families, eager to find out more about our school and education. It was a wonderful morning, with tours around the school and input from the teachers – the only thing missing was of course your wonderful children! We will be holding a similar event again on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July (flyer coming soon). If you know anyone who may be interested in attending or finding out more about our school, please do put them in touch with Rebecca: [admissions@cambridge-steiner-school.co.uk](mailto:admissions@cambridge-steiner-school.co.uk)



**NEW: Call Out for Support in the Garden over the Summer**

We have plans to develop our outdoor space (across the school) and would love to gather a team of people who would be interested and able to help support with this. If this is something you would be interested in getting involved with and can give some hours over the summer, we would love to hear from you. Please contact [andor.vince@cambridge-steiner-school.co.uk](mailto:andor.vince@cambridge-steiner-school.co.uk) to express an interest, if possible by the 3<sup>rd</sup> July so we can start to plan.

**NEW: Recipes from the Kitchen No. 9 – Choco Sauce**

Simple recipes which you can enjoy making with your children - Recipe No. 9 attached.

**Reminder: Diversity and Inclusion Group**

Next meeting is on Thursday 2nd July 6 pm, all welcome – please get in touch if you would like to join or find out more.

Anne, [anne.patel@cambridge-steiner-school.co.uk](mailto:anne.patel@cambridge-steiner-school.co.uk)

**Please keep in touch**

- General enquiries, Bridget Crabb: [reception@cambridge-steiner-school.co.uk](mailto:reception@cambridge-steiner-school.co.uk)
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- Lower School, Sarah Fox: [sarah.fox@cambridge-steiner-school.co.uk](mailto:sarah.fox@cambridge-steiner-school.co.uk)
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**Contributions to the Newsletter**

If there are things you would like to contribute to the school newsletter, please contact reception: [reception@cambridge-steiner-school.co.uk](mailto:reception@cambridge-steiner-school.co.uk)

**Community Messages:**

**Summer Childcare**

Wondering what you are going to do for childcare through the summer holidays? Suzie Webb is a registered childminder, OFSTED think she's outstanding. This summer holidays she has space for extra children on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and possibly Fridays between 8.30 and 5.30. She will be on holiday with husband Iain and daughters Alice (Class 5) and Jody Peach (Rosebuds) from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> August but apart from that would love to have your darlings (moonbeams and older) round to play. Contact her on 07970128826 or [suzieiloart@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:suzieiloart@yahoo.co.uk).

**Bushcraft and Craft Holiday Club with Andor – Going ahead - Places still available**

Andor's summer bushcraft and craft holiday club is **going ahead** from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July. It will be run on the grounds of the school from 08:30 to 15:00. The cost is £35 per child per day with £25 for subsequent siblings. The children will engage in bushcraft activities

and crafts using different natural materials including wood, willow and clay. The holiday club is open only to children who are attending our school and their siblings from ages 8 to 14. **Places still available** - Please e-mail [vinceandor@outlook.co.uk](mailto:vinceandor@outlook.co.uk) or send a message to 079 52635317 to book a place. Thank you. Please note that there are concessions available for families on low income.

## Other Reminders/ Links:

**Guardian Interview with Fran Russell from SWSF - [LINK](#)**

Information below has not changed since last week:

**Reminder: A Year and a Day magazine - Beautiful new Waldorf-inspired magazine for children**

You can get the free first issue and order the second issue by going to the 'shop' on our website: [www.ayearandaday.co.uk](http://www.ayearandaday.co.uk)

**New link for Online Safety support:**

- [Safety Detectives Guide](#)

**Reminder:** If you're worried about your **child's anxiety**, YoungMinds is a charity dedicated to children's mental health. They've opened a [parents' helpline](#) for confidential, expert advice. You can reach them at 0808 802 5544. They can also give advice on supporting children and young people through **grief and loss**, click [HERE](#) for more details. [Winston'sWish](#) and [HopeAgain](#) are two other organisations which can offer support. For younger children, a therapeutic story may help, Badger's Parting Gifts by Susan Varney, is a lovely example.

**Getting out and about:** [A Walking Guide to the Fulbourn Area](#)

**5 Golden Keys**, by Helle Heckmann: Sleep, Movement, Food, Rhythm and Love – here is a [link](#) to some parenting workshops by Helle Heckmann exploring these themes.

**Simplicity Parenting** [HOME PAGE](#) and [PODCAST](#)

**Post pictures and stories** to the residents at Home Close, Cow Lane, Fulbourn CB21 5HB