

Nansloe Academy & Nursery

Head of School: Mrs A Webb

27th April 2022

Dear Parents

ARRANGEMENTS FOR FLORA DAY - SATURDAY 7TH MAY 2022

All children dancing with the school **should be in school by 08.30am at the latest**. We will be leaving the school premises at 08.45 am. This is necessary to ensure that all children are present. It is our custom to walk, as a school, to Wendron Street where the dance begins.

Please let us know as soon as possible on the Saturday, if your child is unable to dance through illness so that we can try to find a replacement. A staff member will be on the premises from 7.45am to assist if needed.

At the **completion of the dance at 10.50am**, parents meeting their children should wait by the **old Community Centre in Penrose Road**, **off Church Street**. Please do not take your child until the dancers have stopped walking and they have been dismissed by their teacher. Teachers mark off every child to ensure everyone has been collected safely and if children are taken out of the line early it can cause unnecessary worry and confusion. Your children's safety is our utmost priority.

No child will be permitted to leave unless a parent (or pre-agreed representative) collects them or unless we have your signed permission for the teacher to dismiss your child unattended.

Please note, if it comes to rain heavily during the dance, the band will cut the dance short and "play" us back to the **Community Centre in Penrose Road**, off Church Street. **We do not dismiss the children along the route for safety reasons.**

You will appreciate that the safety of the children is our main concern and we feel very responsible for them at all times, but particularly on Flora Day when there are so many hundreds of people thronging the streets. We very much value your support in keeping to these arrangements for the benefit of the children.

The Helston Flora Dance Committee have asked me to pass on the following notices to parents:

- a) Please do not accompany the children round the streets as they dance (e.g. by walking along beside them).
- b) Please be advised that the Children's Dance will not go through or stop in Lismore Gardens. The gardens will be closed during the Children's Dance and will re-open for the Midday Dance.

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A great deal of work is put into the preparation for this most traditional day to ensure a smooth, safe and accomplished event. Special thanks go to you, the parents, for the splendid way the children will be dressed.

A few final reminders before the big day to help us look our best:

- All clothing **must** be white, not cream (including cardigans if being worn with dresses),
- Lily of the Valley (boys wear this on their left side, girls on their right side)
- White gloves for girls,
- White plimsoles or sensible, flat shoes that fit well (we would advise wearing these
 around the house before hand to check for fit and to wear them in a little for comfort
 reasons),
- Ties can be purchased and collected from Whirlwind Sports Helston,
- Girls head dresses will be sent home on Tuesday 3rd May so you have these in plenty of time.

If you have any problem with any of the above, please let us know as soon as possible and we will do our very best to help.

We always keep some spare items in school in case of any wardrobe malfunctions on the day, however, our stock has become quite depleted over recent years. If you have any preloved, good condition Flora Day attire that you would be happy to donate to school, we would be very grateful (shorts, trousers, shirts, dresses, gloves, shoes - anything you are happy to part with). If you're able to help with this, please send any items in as soon as possible to help us get prepared for the big day.

Please could I ask you to return the "End of Dance Arrangement Slip" below, to school by Tuesday 3rd May 2022.

Each year schools collect Bluebells to decorate the town. If you are able to assist in collecting them, could I please ask that you deliver them to the Guildhall, in town, by 9am on Friday 6th May 2022.

On behalf of everyone at Nansloe Academy, may I wish you a very happy Flora Day.

Yours sincerely

Ann Webb



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NANSLOE ACADEMY - END OF DANCE ARRANGEMENT SLIP

THIS SLIP SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE CLASS TEACHER BY TUESDAY 3^{RD} MAY 2022

option that does not apply:
(Name of child)(Class year) will be met by
(Name of person collecting your child)
outside the old Community Centre in Penrose Road, off Church Street, Helston, at the end of the Children's Dance.
Relationship to child:
Mobile contact number:
<u>Or</u>
I will not be meeting
Signed Parent/Guardian

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