Reading: a school newsletter

1 Read the newsletter and write *t* (true) or *f* (false). Correct the false sentences.

The Alan Turing High School Newsletter

Big changes for next year!



Football, bikes and running

Many things will be different at school next year. Students who love playing football will really enjoy our amazing new pitch, while those of you who want to join the running club will enjoy the new track we have already put in. We've also got lots of extra bike racks where the old Science room used to be and we would really like to see more of you cycling to school next term.

The railings

We haven't repaired the railings at the entrance which were damaged in the storms last winter yet, but you should find that everything looks bright and clean ready for the start of the new term.



Saved by the new bell!

Our old school bell was not very popular. Almost every day someone said, 'It's too noisy.' For that reason, we have a new bell which we will test on the first morning to make sure everyone knows the new sound.

Anyone for tennis?

We are delighted to welcome Miss Kulin to the school. She will be our first tennis coach. Miss Kulin is an ex-professional tennis player who played for five years on the tour. She will run the after-school tennis club three nights a week.

1 The school hasn't got a new football pitch.
[f] The school has got a new football pitch.

2 There aren't any new bike racks at the school.
[ ] _____

3 The school wants more students to use their bikes.
[ ] _____

4 The railings haven't been fixed yet.
[ ] _____

5 Everyone liked the old school bell.
[ ] _____

6 Miss Kulin has never played tennis professionally.
[ ] _____

LIVEWORKSHEETS

Writing

1 **Complete the sentences with the words from the box.**

teacher trip ~~changes~~ online week

1 We would like to tell you about some big changes at the school.
2 We look forward to welcoming our new _____.
3 We've had a wonderful _____ at the school.
4 We hope all our students enjoy the skiing _____ at the weekend.
5 Students who want to join the running club can sign up _____.

Help with Writing

School newsletters are usually sent out daily or weekly. They tell parents and students about competitions and prizes, new teachers, new facilities and future trips. Newsletters are written in a formal but friendly style.

2 **You are the principal of Valley High School. There are some changes you would like to tell parents about in the latest newsletter. Use the Reading page and the sentences in Activity 1 to help you write your newsletter. Include information about the following:**

- teachers (name, the subject each person teaches)
- facilities (e.g. bike racks, basketball hoops, running track)
- after-school clubs (e.g. tennis club, running club, football club).

LIVEWORKSHEETS

Listening: a new school

1 01 **Listen to George talk to his mum. Write *t* (true) or *f* (false).**

1 George has already packed his schoolbag. t

2 George's class has got only one teacher. ☐

3 Mr Martin teaches George's class one day a week. ☐

4 There's a box where students put their homework on Mondays. ☐

5 George and his mum have already met Katy. ☐

6 George hasn't made his bed yet. ☐



2 02 **What has George's new school got? Listen and tick ☑ or cross ☒.**

Welcome to your new school!

Come and enjoy these facilities:

- a running track ☑
- a football pitch ☐
- tennis courts ☐
- a playground with basket hoops ☐
- a gym ☐
- a library ☐
- bike racks ☐

LIVEWORKSHEETS

Speaking

1 **Work with a friend. Look at the school facilities. Play the guessing game.**

Is this a place where you play computer games?

No, it isn't.

Is this a place where you play an instrument?

Yes, it is! It's a music room!



gym



computer room



tennis court



running track



library



music room

2 **Think of your perfect school. Write answers. Then practise.**

1 Where is your school? _____

2 What do you learn there? _____

3 What facilities has your school got? _____

4 What is your favourite place at the school? Why? _____

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3 **Work with a friend. Talk about your perfect school.**

My perfect school is in the countryside. It's next to a lake where you can swim! You can learn languages at my school.

Can you do sport there too?

Yes! It's got a football pitch, a tennis court and a big library, but my favourite place is the farm. I love animals and I can look after them there.

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