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Newsletter

5th June 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a good week.

We're really happy that so many children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 have re-joined us this week; around 80% of those able to return did so. Our plan has worked well and we have been able to keep children safely social-distanced as well as we were expecting. We hope to see a few more children return next week. The plan remains the same and can be viewed from the front page of our website.

It's the last term of the academic year and normally we'd be organising lots of lovely events such as sports days, summer fair and award events; it's a shame that it looks like these events won't happen now. We will perhaps look at doing some events in a different way. I'm sure we'll sort something!

Have a good weekend.

Take care,

Mr Allen



Robin class ready to go into their classroom



Yr 6 Wren class sit at socially distanced desks



Mr Morgan teaches Key Worker children in the school hall

HOME LEARNING

With the return to school of Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 children, all our teachers are engaged teaching small groups of children therefore we may not be able to put the same quantity of home learning onto the website as we have been doing. We hope that there is sufficient learning activities for those children still home learning. The activities we have posted can be supplemented by using the BBC Bitesize and Oak Academy resources plus IXL, Times Tables Rockstars and Spelling Shed.

We still welcome photos of children learning at home; it's always heart-warming to see the effort and enterprise that is going on in your homes to continue your child's learning.

IXL Champions

We're really pleased children are using IXL while at home. Each week we announce the children who have been on IXL the longest or who have answered the most questions. The winners for the past week are:

Robin Class – Indi

Blackbird Class – Imogen

Swallow Class – Ethan P

Sparrow Class – Edie

Wren Class – Evie

Well done champions!

Spelling Shed

Well done to those of you who have been visiting Spelling Shed to improve your spelling skills.

Here's this week's leader board.

Well done again to Travis!

1.		Travis G	9,542,928	79,533,104
2.		Lexi C	8,731,768	106,747,578
3.		Edward A	5,070,632	92,508,024
4.		Ryan F	3,767,446	30,550,778
5.		Oliver G	3,397,464	50,432,242
6.		Alfie- James G	3,200,554	55,053,078
7.		Imogen C	2,300,463	63,580,671

Free School Meal Vouchers

We have applied for the Free School Meal Vouchers for those eligible however there is a slight delay in us receiving them. As soon as we have them, we will contact you and you will be able to collect them from the school.

Mrs Maffey

Mrs Maffey will be leaving her post as Teaching Assistant on the 15th June. We are sad to see Mrs Maffey leave and all staff and children will miss her. We wish Sally well for the future.

Mr Campbell

Mr Campbell has not been well enough to work since the end of March. Unfortunately he has had very bad back pain and has often been immobile. We're pleased to say he is on the mend and is able to work a little from home. He hopes that he will be back fully before the end of term. We wish him well with his recovery.

Sex and Relationship Education Policy

Relationship Education will be compulsory for primary school children from September 2020. We have written a new a Sex and Relationship Policy for the new school year.

The draft policy is available to read on the policy page of our website for 2 weeks, from today. If you have any questions or comments on the policy, please contact the school by email.

The Governing Body will review these comments and reply to them. The policy will be amended, as appropriate, and then ratified by the Governing Body and a final copy, published on the website.

Tent!

We would like to say a big thank you to Mrs Johnstone and her husband for the loan of a lovely army tent. Mr Johnstone and some of his colleagues erected the tent on the field where it will provide some shade for the children learning and playing outside. We're a little disappointed that the arrival of the tent has coincided with chilly, grey weather! Hopefully the heat and sunshine will be back soon so the tent's shade can be essential!

Here is a photo of Paige, Evie, Emily and Amy admiring the tent.



Breakfast Club

We are looking to re-open our Breakfast Club however, this is dependent on numbers. Information on times, cost and how to book are on our website. Mrs Johnstone will be supervising the club when it does re-open.

After School Club

This term we are offering an after-school childcare provision, Monday to Thursday, from 3pm -5pm. This club will be supervised by Mrs Ringwood.

The cost of the childcare provision is £4.00 for 3pm - 4pm and £8.00 for 3pm - 5pm.

If we find that bookings are low we will not be able to run the club as it will be financially unviable.

If you require after school childcare provision, please book in advance and pay via ParentPay.

Unfortunately, if children are not booked in to the after school childcare provision in advance we will not be able to accept them on the day.

Coats and Jumpers

It's gone a little cold again. As we have doors and windows open to allow air-flow, the school is a little chilly. Please could children have school jumpers at school so they are comfortable inside. We are also having all our breaks and lunchtimes outside and this means, this week, we've been out in a slight drizzle so please could children have a coat at school or light rain-jacket.

Coronavirus

We are continuing to follow the latest advice from Public Health England.

The Chief Medical Officer provided new advice around self-isolation and Public Health England have updated their web pages so we would encourage you to review the updated information online:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public>

The advice is that you should self-isolate at home for seven days if you have a recent onset of:

- A new continuous cough and/or
- High temperature
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If staff or pupils have these symptoms, then they should now take steps to stay at home and not leave their house for seven days from when their symptoms started. This will help protect others in the community while they are infectious. Anyone displaying symptoms should not go to a GP surgery, pharmacy or hospital.

If your child is displaying the above symptoms and you decide they need to self-isolate please report their absence in the normal way (by telephoning school by 9am, on 01985 212458, on each day of your child's absence).

You can view the guidance around self-isolation online:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-people-with-confirmed-or-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

We will continue to provide regular updates regarding this situation and concerned parents should visit the NHS coronavirus webpage in the first instance or phone NHS 111 and seek professional health advice.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Please be reassured that as a school, we continue to follow all advice and guidelines from Public Health England, The World Health Organisation and The Department for Education

