



## Newsletter 38 – Thursday 2 July 2020

<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);"><b>This week</b></p>	<p>We have now completed our final review of the summer term arrangements and I would like to thank staff and parents for providing their views and supporting this process. Our updated risk assessment has also been agreed by the local authority.</p> <p>I would like to thank the parents of Reception children who have been so understanding of our wish to see all children in Thorns before the summer and have helped enable this to happen.</p> <p>The staff team are really pleased that we have been able to invite all children to join us in school before the summer holiday and are really looking forward to seeing everyone over the next two weeks.</p> <p>Best wishes, Mrs Bradbury</p>
<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);"><b>Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5</b></p>	<p><b>Returning to School</b></p> <p>Thank you to all the parents who have already replied to our invitation to children in Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 to return to school for a few days before the summer holiday. If you have not already done so can you please contact the school office to let us know if you do or if you do not wish to accept our invitation? A reply from all parents will ensure the staff are prepared for the children to return.</p> <p>Tomorrow there is an online class meeting for the children coming into school next week: Oak class; Ash class; Fawkes class; Eliot class and Shakespeare class. Details of the meetings were included in the invitation letter, I do hope that you will be able to join us.</p> <p>Unfortunately we have been unable to arrange lunch for the children who will be coming in over the next two weeks. This is because there was not enough lead time for the food order and delivery and so we have asked all children to bring a packed lunch on their full day in school.</p> <p>Children do not need to wear school uniform before the summer holiday and we ask that you obtain uniform ready for September.</p> <p>Children should bring a bag to school on the days they are in so that they can bring home their exercise books for this school year. Children are also asked to return any school items that were sent home to support learning at the start of the school closure.</p> <p>Many thanks, Mrs Bradbury</p>

## Transition and New Classes

This week we wrote to parents other than Year 6 about classes for the next school year.

Next year we will be joined by a new member of staff when Mrs Streeter retires and I am pleased to tell you that we have appointed Miss Sophie Gabel to teach Ash class in September. Mrs Jennie Boulton will not have a class next year as she will be enjoying a *rest* and on maternity leave - we send her our very best wishes.

Reception: Mrs Gill/Mrs Emmett (Cedar class) and Mrs Bolt (Beech class)

Year 1: Mrs Sheridan (Oak class) and Miss Gabel (Ash class)

Year 2: Miss Pearl/Mrs Saad (Maple class) and Mrs Culley (Chestnut class)

Year 3: Mr Johnson (Greville class) and Mr Williams/Miss Clarke (Dudley class)

Year 4: Mrs Peterson (Fawkes class) and Mrs Watt/Mrs Buckley (Catesby class)

Year 5: Mr Farrington (Eliot class) and Mrs Smith/Mrs Fossitt (Shakespeare class)

Year 6: Miss Leatherland (Leofric class) and Mrs Price/Miss Biggs (Godiva class)

Unfortunately children will not be able to spend time in their new classroom before September but we have planned a number of activities to help support transition.

- Online class meeting of 30 minutes with the new class teacher
  - Park Hill Meetings for new Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 on Wednesday 8 July
  - Thorns meetings for new Year 1 and Year 2 on Wednesday 15 July
- New class teachers to drop by and say hello to the new class when the children are in school over the next two weeks
- A film about the new class and year group for Thorns children and for new Year 3
- A transition passport for children on the SEND register – please look out for more details on this tomorrow
- English books to move up with the children from this year to the next class

In addition to the above we are looking at the curriculum ready for September to consider what changes and support will be needed.

I await the DFE guidance for September which should be published later today and will write to parents before the summer holiday about our arrangements for the children's return to school in the new year.

## This Week, Happy Birthday to....



On Monday, Oscar celebrated his sixth birthday and Amelia celebrated her eleventh birthday.

Happy Birthday to Imogen who was nine years old on Wednesday.



Today Yana is eleven years old and Lily is eight, many happy returns

Happy Birthday to Ben who will be celebrating his seventh birthday on Saturday.