

Our Core Values: Compassion, Integrity, Thankfulness, Respect and Resilience.

Head Teacher's Message

9th November 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a wonderful start to Term 2! The children have settled into school after the two week break beautifully and I could not be prouder of them for the resilience they have shown during the current lockdown. I would like to say a huge thank you to the staff who have continued showing commitment and drive to ensure children are happy and learning. I hope you enjoyed reading your year group newsletter. Teachers have planned many exciting learning opportunities and I look forward to updating you on them throughout the term. Please keep an eye on Facebook and the class pages on the website, as they will be updated weekly with photographs of children at work; learning that has been produced and Star of the Week and Phone Call Friday nominations.

Please can I remind you that if you haven't yet handed in a consent form for your child to participate in the mathematics catch up club, the deadline is tomorrow. I'm certain that the uptake will be just as impressive as last term. As of next week, children across the school will be participating in tailored interventions led by teaching assistants/class teachers to close gaps and make accelerated progress due to the learning time missed last academic year. Your child's class teacher will be happy to explain what interventions are in place and how your children are progressing during Parents Evening later this term.

I hope that you all received the letter in regards to School Lunches during half term. Unfortunately, as explained, due to staffing, we are unable to facilitate hot meals. Now that lockdown has been reinstated across the country, I'm sure you will all agree that it is even more important that health and safety remains a top priority. Therefore, we must limit staff moving between bubbles and ensure that we do not all use the hall. We will update you as soon as we have any plans moving forward. Thank you all for your understanding!

It is now - more than ever - that we must all work together and support one another. It is a very challenging time for everyone and together, we can get through it! I would very much like to start the parent forum so that we can share ideas, ensuring our school is as successful as possible. After all, we all have the same goal - ensuring our pupils are happy, safe and through a rich, broad and balanced curriculum, extra-curricular activities and successful working partnerships with parents/carers and the wider community, all pupils will have the best possible learning opportunities and develop a thirst for 'learning for life!' (our school vision). A separate letter in regards to the parent forum will be sent to you all at some point this week. I very much look forward to hearing from you if you are interested.

Finally, as we are back in a national lockdown, please ensure that you have a strong support network around you. Although you are unable to physically meet up with friends and family, remember that they are only a phone call away. We are also always happy to help. If you have any queries/concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

I hope you all have a lovely evening and I look forward to seeing you all in the morning; please do not forget that children's school photographs will be taking place tomorrow. If your child usually has P.E on Tuesdays, just for photographs tomorrow, please can you ensure your child comes into school wearing school uniform and wearing appropriate shoes (no full PE Kit is required, just trainers/plimsoles). Thank you everyone!

Yours sincerely,

Miss Selmi
Head Teacher