



Dear Parents & Carers

By the end of this term we will have had four complete weeks in school together. Again I would like to thank you all for your support and to say how amazing the children at Callowell have been on their return to school.

As you will see from the gradual changes we are making that we are trying to return to some normality as quickly as possible.

I hope that you have a good Easter break and get to see more of your family and friends.

Best wishes

Linda Johnston

With the reopening of school and hopefully a return to normality on the horizon we thought now would be a good occasion to update you all on the activities of the governing body through lockdown and with a look forward to the rest of the academic year.

Firstly we would like to thank you all for the great effort you put in to assist with remote learning. Everyone has played a part, be it the teachers setting and marking the work, parents brushing off their rusty numeracy skills to teach or key workers taking the time to record children's work after a long day. All of this has combined to an impressive figure of 92% engagement, shrinking the amount of work that teachers have had to address on their return and providing vital data to help them assess any gaps in understanding.

Since the winter lockdown commenced the governing body has been heavily focused on assisting the school decision making around provision, reviewing method and application of the curriculum to ensure its applied consistently. Issues inhibiting options to teaching staff (such as limits to the school wifi) have been addressed to make sure that we have technological solutions to covid related constraints.

We have also taken the opportunity of reduced school occupancy to review areas of the school estate in need of repair or update, with updates to bathrooms and windows achieved. We are also exploring options to renew the hall roof and to put an air conditioning unit in the computer suite to keep it cool in summer.

Looking ahead after Easter the Teaching and Learning Committee of the governing body is going to be heavily focused on reviewing baseline data, working with the curriculum leads to check that any gaps in learning are addressed. We are also working to prepare for the inevitable return to ofsted inspections in the new year.

To finish we would all like to wish you all a wonderfully relaxed Easter, please decompress and enjoy yourselves after all of your hard work.

Many thanks
The Governing Board



Attendance

Our whole school
attendance is now 97%
Y1 are the highest with 100% since
returning to school!



Dates for your diary



Thursday 1st April Last day of Term 4/Easter Break

Monday 19th April Start of the Summer Term

Monday 21st June to Friday 25th June Residential week

There will be a **Parents Evening** in the Summer Term. We hope to organise this as a face to face meeting once COVID restrictions allow.

PTA

Our March Rags To Riches bags raised £143.72
Thank you!

Due to the current COVID roadmap the PTA have decided to have an Autumn Fair instead of our usual Summer Fair. If anyone would like to be involved and help support us please let us know.

Second hand school uniform is now sold at the Pre School window. There are a range of sizes. Just knock on the window and ask Laura.

Mr Bown Joke:
What do you call a happy
Easter treat?
A Not-Cross Bun!



2020-2021 Term Dates & In-service Days

Friday 2nd April	Bank Holiday
Monday 19th April	First day of T5
Monday 3rd May	Bank Holiday
Friday 21st May	In-Service Day
Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June	Half Term break
Wednesday 21st July	In-Service Day