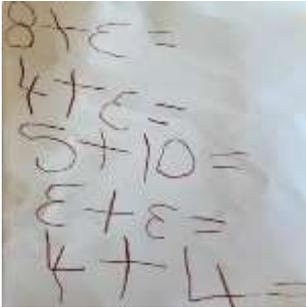


Week 28 23rd April 2021



Dear Families,

Welcome back to school. I do very much hope that you had time to relax and recharge.

It is such good news for us all that the vaccination programme is continuing to be rolled out, and that cases of COVID-19 are falling, but as a school we still need to be vigilant and diligent in following the guidance and risk assessments set by the government and local authority.

Please support us by continuing to do the following:

- Wear a mask unless medically exempt.
- Avoid arriving early for drop off and pick up times to reduce crowding.
- Leave the school site swiftly once you have collected your children to keep the flow of people moving. This does need to improve next week. We cannot allow groups to gather for snacks and chats.

Many thanks for helping us to keep our pupils, our staff and the wider community safe.

This week marks the start of our summer term. During this 13 weeks we will be focussing on our recovery and planning to progress curriculum and I know that teachers are looking forward to meeting with you during the consultations that are due to take place next week.

If you have not yet made an appointment then please do contact your class teacher for a slot. All of these meetings will be taking place remotely.

Along with plans for this year we are casting our minds forward to transition in September 2021.

We are intending to keep the classes together as they move from one year group to the next. This supports our attachment aware policies and practice. If you have any questions or concerns about this then please do let your class teacher know so that they can work with your child towards a happy and smooth transition to their next year group.

Best wishes



Alison Colbran Interim Headteacher

Covid 19 updates from Brighton and Hove Council

Alistair Hill, Director of Public Health, states that transmission will increase if we lower our guard. It is essential that families follow the safety guidelines to stop Covid. Therefore I am including this information so that parents/carers know what help is available to ensure that they take responsible action when they need to do so.

Getting financial help

We know that the financial impact of self-isolation can be very serious for some families and so would recommend along with this messaging you include the following information about the criteria for applying for financial support for a parent of a child who is required to self-isolate.

You will see this may apply also to children up to and including 15 yrs or 25 yrs for those children and young people with an EHCP.

Claiming support under the Test and Trace Support Payment scheme – parents/guardians of children told to self-isolate

If you're not legally required to self-isolate, but you are the parent or guardian of a child who has been told to self-isolate, you could be eligible for a £500 Test and Trace Support Payment or discretionary payment if all the following apply:

- you're the parent or guardian of a child in your household who is self-isolating, and you need to take time off work to care for them
- your child is aged 15 or under, or aged 25 or under with an Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plan, normally attends an education or childcare setting, and has been told to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace or by their education or childcare setting
- you're unable to work from home and will lose income because you have to care for your child while they are self-isolating
- you meet all the other eligibility criteria for a Test and Trace Support Payment or discretionary payment

Please visit www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/sips for further information and to apply for a payment

Proving your child has been instructed to self-isolate

If you're applying because you're a parent or guardian who needs to care for a child who is self-isolating, you will also need to provide your child's NHS Test and Trace Account ID or a communication from their education or childcare setting telling them to self-isolate.

The letter/email from school with the instruction for a pupil to self-isolate provides this evidence.

General help and support

If you are self-isolating and need help and support, [please contact the city's Community Hub for assistance.](#)

Class Awards – Congratulations to our worthy winners this week

	Reception Rabbit – Otto Fish – Noor Hamster – Rupa Duck – Ida	
Year 1 Seahorse - Hadia Lobster – Millie Starfish - Toby Octopus – Olivia	Year 2 Grasshopper – Arvis Dragonfly – Ayah Ladybird – Gabriel Bumblebee – Oscar	Year 3 Salamander - Amelie Gecko – Amelia Chameleon - Joy Iguana – Ismail
Year 4 Puma – Esme Tiger - Hugo Lion - Jasmine Jaguar – Luca	Year 5 Griffin – Patrick Pegasus – Ellie Phoenix – Coco Dragon – Divine	Year 6 Falcon – Ben Eagle – Kitty Osprey – Francesca Kite – Milo & Arian Kestrel – Amelie Owl -Edie

Earth Day



Yesterday, Thursday 22nd April was Earth Day, which gives everyone a chance to reflect on all matters eco and green. To play our part the children listened to a zoom assembly and learnt about our carbon footprint and why we should try to reduce it. Following on from this each class was set a carbon challenge- ‘Grow and care for a seed in the most eco-friendly (lowest carbon) way possible’. Green team and I will be comparing the results over the half term to see which class does it the best.

Maybe you could set yourself a carbon challenge at home to see if you can reduce your carbon footprint.

Miss Howard

Diary Dates

Week commencing 26 th April	Parent Consultation week	School
Monday 3 rd May	Bank Holiday	School closed to children
Friday 28 th May	Last day of Summer Term 1	School
Monday 31 st May	Bank Holiday	School closed to children
Tuesday 1 st - Friday 4 th June	Half term Holiday	School closed to children
Monday 7 th June	INSET Day	School closed to children
Tuesday 8 th June	Summer Term 2 starts	School
Friday 23 rd July	Last day of Term - Summer Holidays	School

Inset Days 2021-22

Thursday 2nd & Friday 3rd September 2021

Monday 1st November 2021

Tuesday 4th January 2022

Monday 6th June 2022