



# Weekly Newsletter

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2020

## Headteacher's update

This week has seen a number of pupils return to school. At the time of writing we have approximately 80 children in school with this number increasing each day. It was lovely this week to see the smiles on pupils faces as they socialised with their friends. School is about so much more than just learning and that social interaction is something that we have all missed during lockdown. Can I say a massive thank you to all the parents for ensuring all the new routines have been adhered to. The staggered start times and different routes into school has meant that social distancing has easily been maintained. I know that for siblings of pupils who have returned to school it must be doubly difficult so it is great news that all pupils will be back in September. As soon as the government release its guidance, we will put our plans in place and communicate them with you. In the meantime, we are here to help in any way we can so please keep in touch with us and if your child is still at home make sure that they try and do some home learning alongside opportunities for play and fun. Keep safe everyone.

## School closure

School has been continuously open since February half-term but **will close to ALL pupils on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July**. Most teachers, school leaders and other staff have been unable to take any time away from work and it is for this reason that schools will not be open over the summer period.

## Items from home

Please remember that children should not bring anything in from home at the moment, including water bottles. Packed lunches should be brought in disposable packaging.

## Sun safety

The weather has been scorching over the last couple of days. If this continues please make sure children are wearing sun cream and a cap to protect them from the sun.

## Forest School

These are the days that bubbles have Forest school over the next 3 weeks

Mon -Y2/3 Maple & Y6 Sycamore

Tues - Y6 Willow and Y6 Rowan

Wed - Y1 Beech & Y1 Hazel

Thurs- Rec Elm & Rec Ash

Fri - Y4/5 Pine

Please make sure on these days the children come in outdoor clothing appropriate to the weather.

## Attendance

Although attendance at school is not statutory at the moment it is much better for children to be in a routine and be in every day. Please make sure that if you have booked a place in the key worker groups that your child attends that day.



Remember if your child or anyone in your household has a continuous cough, temperature or loss of taste or smell to self-isolate and get a test.



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## This week in school

This week there has been loads of learning activities going on in school. Children in reception, Year 1 and Year 6 have been doing English and Maths in the morning whilst key worker children have completed their home learning tasks. In the afternoons we have seen dragon art, bubble art, wool worms, science experiments and healthy meals designed using playdough.



## Values Star of the week

The following children have been nominated by their families or teachers for demonstrating loyalty: **Omar Hamam, Damson Evans, Alayah White, Katie Forshaw, Kiera Whittaker, Logan Draper, Jamie Ireland, Adam Hanif, Joshua Fuller, Scarlet Draper**

## Happy Birthday

Happy birthday to **Abdul Khawar, Muhammed Mustafa, Dylan Hughes, Victoria Hughes, Fatima Jiva, Dalton Kay & Lewis Roberts**

## Learners of the Week

The following children have been awarded learner of the week for the learning they have completed at home or in school: **Alexander Newton, David Rozek, Unaysah Mehmood, Leo Joyce, Nola Delaney, Emily Kinloch, Paige Boyle, Darius Pascalau, Eric Melling, Sophia Hall, Lucas Riley, Sam Lloyd, Waleed Mehmood, Blake Focske, Adam Rahman, Adam Grime**

## Forest school pupil of the week

This week Mr Bear and Miss Croft have been very impressed with **Theo Bradley** in his very first Forest school session.

## Updated guidance on keeping children safe online

The Home Office and the Department for Culture, Media and Sport, have updated advice and guidance to help parents and carers to keep children safe online during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak to include new information on apps to help children stay safe online. The advice and guidance on keeping children safe online can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-keeping-children-safe-online>



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