Weekly Newsletter 1 (3rd September 2021)

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Welcome back everyone. It's been so lovely to see our 'old' children and meet our new ones. We've had a great first week back.

What's happening in school next week!

- We take it very steady at the start of each year and spend our time focusing on making sure the children feel safe and happy in school. We help them to rekindle friendships and make new ones. We spend a lot of time embedding the school rules and routines and our learning is from books about feelings and emotions. The first couple of days have been great. I can't believe how well the children have just come in, got organized, settled and got on with their play and learning. We will work on listening as our 'tweak' next week. It's a lot harder to listen in a class than at home but it's an essential skills for learning.
- Our new Nursery children will start with us over the next week.
 They'll all be in by Friday.
- We are beginning assemblies and singing for Classes 1, 2, 3, & 5 next week. Classes 3 & 5 will have assembly on Monday and singing on Wednesday. Classes 1 & 2 will have assembly on Tuesday and singing on Thursday. We will continue to have Fabulous Friday assembly but hold it via zoom.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Class 7 on Thursday next week.
- Miss S Rogers is teaching Class 1 on Wednesday morning next week and Class 2 on Wednesday afternoon.
- Mrs. Taylor is teaching Nursery on Wednesday.
- Class 1 have Forest School on Friday. Please send your child in old clothes, wellies or strong outdoor shoes. They'll learn outside all day.
- Miss Tonks is teaching Class 5 on Friday.
- We will send home details about what and how Classes 1, 2,3 & 5
 will be learning next Friday. That for Classes 6, 7 & 8 will come the following week.



Attendance & Start times.

We haven't calculated attendance figures for this week as we have had staggered starts in Reception. We'll begin next week. Attendance has been very good in all classes all week. The children are pleased to be back and I think parents are glad for them to be back!

Just a reminder of start times for each class. The children are welcome to arrive up to 10 minutes before their start time. It helps us have a calm beginning to the day and eases congestion outside school.

Class 1 – 8.30am. Arrive from 8.20am. Office gate.

Class 2 – 8.45am. Arrive from 8.35am. Office gate.

Class 3 – 8.30am. Arrive from 8.20am. Main gate.

Class 4 - 8.45am. Arrive from 8.35am. Main gate and down the path.

Class 5 – 8.45am. Arrive from 8.35am. Main gate.

Class 6 – 8.30am. Arrive from 8.20am. Main gate

Class 7. 8.30am. Arrive from 8.20am. Small yard.

Class 8. 8.45am. Arrive from 8.35am. Small yard.

Assembly Theme: Welcome back, what's new, who's new?

Looking ahead to the w.b. 13th September 2021

- The assembly theme for the week is I'm Special.
- We will begin our phonics lessons this week.
- Mrs. Taylor will be teaching Class 8 on Tuesday 14th September.
- If you'd like to hear more about how we teach reading and phonics, we are running a short session for parents in the hall (socially distanced with windows open!) at 9.00am on Tuesday (14th September). There will also be a session on Thursday at 2,00pm in the school hall.
- Mrs. Townsend is not in school on Tuesday afternoon first aid refresher training!
- Wednesday is International Dot Day. We'll do some learning linked to a lovely book called The Dot. You can hear the story here.
- Mrs. Ollerenshaw is teaching Class 3 on Thursday morning as Mr. Barker is at a meeting.
- Miss Tonks is teaching Class 5 on Friday.
- Class 1 will have Forest School on Friday.

Mrs Townsend's Pupil of the Week.....

All the children have been rather marvellous this week. It's been nice to see them all again after the holiday. I was very proud of William Hague who shed just a few tears yesterday. He quickly overcame his nerves and had a great day. Today, no tears, just smiles as he happily headed into school. Well done William and the children in Class 2 who helped him settle back into school life.

Nursery News

It's been lovely to welcome back our 'old' Nursery children and meet our new ones. We are looking forward to next week when our new children will start.

We are going to trial letting 2 children and adults into the Nursery cloakroom at a time to speed up the line! It is a confined space so we ask that parents, carers and guardians please wear a face covering whilst inside. We'll see how it works.

Summer Reading Bingo

Did anyone take part in the Summer Reading Bingo challenge? If you did, please send in your 'evidence' and we'll award prizes next Friday. We have just one entry so far.

Due to having a child in school with a fish allergy we have been exploring safe options for school lunches. It is now safe for children to bring tuna and/or crab sticks as part of their packed lunch.

Tweak of the Week: Good listening. (Prizes for the class that tries the hardest with this tricky skill.)

Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Dish of the day 1	Veggi Bolognese with Garlic bread	Beef Chilli Con Carne with wholegrain rice and nachos	Roast chicken with stuffing, roast potatoes and gravy	Beef burger in a bun with jacket wedges and tomato sauce	Homemade cheese pizza with chips and tomato sauce
Dish of the day 2	Cheese and tomato pasta bake with homemade galic bread	Veggie spaghetti Bolognese with half jacket potato	Quorn roast with stuffing, roast potatoes and gravy	Quorn burger in a bun with jacket wedges and tomato sauce	Tortilla layer with chips and tomato sauce
Oven baked jacket potato	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans or tuna mayo	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans or tuna mayo	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans or tuna mayo	Jacket potato with cheese, baked beans or tuna mayo
Sandwich option	Egg	Ham	Ham	Ham, tuna mayo, cheese sandwiches	Ham, tuna mayo, cheese sandwiches
	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo	Tuna mayo
	cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese	Cheese
Vegetables	Bakes beans & sweetcorn	Green beans & carrots	Cabbage & mixed veg	Broccoli & sweetcorn	Peas & baked beans
Desserts	Ginger shortbread with milk	Shortbread biscuit with custard	Treacle sponge with custard	Jelly & peaches	Hobnob cookie with apple wedges

Boundary wall around school

When collecting your child/ren from school at the end of the day, you are responsible for taking your child off the school site safely. Please don't let your child walk on the internal and external walls due to the risk of injury and falling from height. Thank you.

Medication

If your child takes regular medication in school or they have an inhaler, please make sure this has been brought back after the summer holiday.

If your child's medical needs change at all please make sure we are up to date. Thank you.

Fire – Please take a moment to read our fire evacuation plan. Thank you.

On hearing the bell—a prolonged ring, please leave the school via the evacuation route displayed in each room. If you are in school for any reason please exit via the nearest external door.

Our meeting point is on the playground towards Pot House Lane. If you are with a child please help them back to their class once outside.

The school's admin team will distribute the registers and the Inventory (our signing in system) will be checked to ensure all helpers have evacuated safely

Reading books

If you have any reading books at home from July please send them back ASAP.

We will begin sending home reading books for our Y1 and Y2 children next Friday. We will begin with our phonics books that are labelled with numbers. Teachers will be busy next week assessing where the children are and making sure they get the right book according to what phonemes (sounds) they know.

This week's praise board

All class 5 for talking so happily about all the wonderful things they have been doing with their new and old friends!

Sophie Barber for telling us how much she enjoyed laying down and reading 3 books in our new reading corner.

Kelvin Whiskey-Kiffin for being such a fantastic member of the class 5 group – which is not easy when you've just started in a new school. He's amazing!

Lucy Mahon amazing Mrs Marsh with her exceptional manners.

Hermine Merrywest for being so strong and brave when she met a rather angry wasp.

Class 1 for all coming to school with a smile on their face and making Mrs McGhee and Mrs Costello feel so happy.

Mair Marshall-Gain and William Bullimore for keeping the cloakroom tidy.

Dollie Bowskill for sitting smartly and always being ready to listen.

Theo Emson-Brown for doing some amazing independent writing in the creative corner on day one!

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