



# NEWSLETTER

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As we come towards the end of our first full week I feel I should mention again how proud of the children we all are. They have come back to school after Easter in a positive manner, eager to display the excellent learning behaviours that will enable them to move forward, hopefully over a more settled term.

There will always be other issues that arise in school but please speak to either the staff, Mrs Lowe or myself if you have any queries or concerns, however minor. As we say on every newsletter, please do not wait to contact us because the sooner we know about any issue the quicker we can resolve it.

## STAFFING UPDATE

In order to cover long term absence and Mrs Jeffrey's impending maternity leave, Mrs Parakath will continue to cover our Year 1 class during the Summer Term.

Mrs Bird will be teaching our Year 2 class on a Thursday afternoon and all day Friday for the next term too.

## PARENTAL CONSULTATIONS

Over the next couple of weeks the teaching staff will be contacting you to hold a telephone consultation about your child. This is a conversation about how the children have settled back after lockdown and the next steps we are taking in terms of personal, social and academic targets. Every child has been impacted by the pandemic in different ways and it is important not to focus on comparisons with age expectations set in normal years. We have to look forward and put in the provision and support to enable all our children to achieve their potential in the future.

Teachers will produce a short report to summarise the conversations. These will be issued for each class via the children after the teacher has completed all their consultations – please note that this may be a different day for different classes.

## SUN SAFETY

Please can we remind you about sun safety? As the weather warms up, please remember to apply sunblock to your child before coming to school. We recommend using 8 hour sun protection so that the children are covered for all



outdoor activities. As a last resort, sun cream can be sent to school for the children to apply themselves, under adult supervision. Please make sure that all sun cream is clearly marked with your child's name.

Whenever possible, the children are taken onto the green areas to play during lunchtimes and so please ensure they bring a sunhat. They should also have a water bottle, clearly marked with their name and class – please note this should be a separate water bottle to the drink your child brings to have with their packed lunch from home. Thank you.

We are taking the children onto the sports field at lunchtime as and when we can. Currently we have only done so with KS2 but hopefully soon we will be able to take KS1 on there too – there are zoned areas to keep the children in their bubbles.

## PACKED LUNCHES

**We would appreciate your support with the following issue.**

**Whilst we cannot check every packed lunch that is brought into school, we have noticed children bringing in items that potentially could be harmful to the children in school with allergies e.g chocolate spread. Please make sure that everything that is sent into school is nut free. This is vitally important to keep all our children safe. Thank you!**

## UNIFORM

After lockdown we said that we understood how difficult it may be to get uniform. With the situation now easing, please can you make every effort to keep to the school uniform as set out on our website. This especially applies to PE – please ensure that again the expectations are followed to be fair to all children.

As we move into the summer, please remember that it is unsafe for children to wear open toed sandals around school.