

Newsletter 2 (2021-22)

September 17th, 2021

Dear Parents,

Is it Catch Up or Recover?

From the reports I have received from staff, the Zoomed Meet the Teacher meetings were a success. I hope you felt this too.

We have listened to your comments about play-times and the transitions to a new class. It will take everyone time to adjust to being back at school – not just after the summer but also after 18+ months of Lockdown and COVID restrictions. It is also important to remember to be kind as all of us (both children and adults) need to recover and get back to something like normal. The best way to do this is to work together in the interests of our children.

Homework will, in the main, be delivered via Google Classroom as we are doing our best to move towards a Paperless School. Maths will be set on Mathletics. If any family would like to opt out of homework, please let me know.

Secondary Transfer Meetings for Year Six Parents

Following on from a well attended Secondary Transfer meeting on Tuesday, I am now taking appointments for Year Six parents to meet with me to discuss choices for secondary schools. These meetings usually take about an hour per family. Parents with children in other year groups should read the leaflet called “Is the world your oyster?” which I sent home yesterday. I am happy to meet with you after half term.

I will be attaching a copy of the form I will be filling in with Year Six parents during our meetings as well as the questionnaire which will be given to Year Six children as homework/writing exercise next week.

Can you please send back your photograph permission slip by Monday? If you would like another one, please let us know.

Extra! Extra! Read All About it! After School Clubs will be starting soon. You will receive an application form on Monday and your child should put their favourite **three** clubs in order – first, second and third. Mrs. Pearman will, once again, be taking charge of Clubs.

The School Photographer will be visiting on Wednesday 29th September to take individual photos. Please contact Miss Simmons if you would like all your children taken together.

Special Guest Headteachers Arrived Today!

I has been an absolute pleasure to work with Mr. Jackson Hill and Mr. Vinny Hill as Headteachers today. In their own words, this is how they spent their day:

“Hello! This is Jackson. Today as Headteacher for the Day, I have checked everybody in Year Six as they arrived at school. I have also taken KS1 and KS2 assemblies. I announced that Abigail (Y5) would be taking home Buster this weekend and told everyone the Team Point results. I have helped Miss Rogers to cut up the Friday TryDay surprises – these were Lychees and Sour Cherry Haribos. I also helped to serve them to the whole school at lunchtime. I made some telephone calls to the different classes asking for children to collect letters. I had to make sure they knew they were not in trouble! As a special treat, I gave my class two extra break-times which added up to an additional 25 minutes!!!

Hello, this is Vinny with a report of my day as Headteacher. This has been such a cool day and has been such fun as we have been doing almost everything! We made a secret Friday TryDay and offered a Chinese fruit called a lychee and sour cherry Haribo. Everyone loved them.....I think! We helped Ms Woodford interview for a new Football coach. His name was Mr. Jones and we were delighted to appoint him to train our football teams. Thank you for letting us be Headteachers for the Day.



Delivering and Collecting your children

When bringing your children to school and collecting them in the afternoon, **please** do not arrive before your allotted time – we are doing our best to keep the pavements as clear as possible. Your times are as follows:

Class	Arrival Time	Collection Time	Gate
Nursery	8:55 a.m.	3:00 p.m.	Nursery Gate
Reception	8:45 a.m.	3:10 p.m.	Nursery Gate
Year One	8:50 a.m.	3:05 p.m.	Front Entrance
Year Two	8:50 a.m.	3:05 p.m.	Kitchen Fire Door
Year Three	8:55 a.m.	3:10 p.m.	Playground Gate
Year Four	8:50 a.m.	3:05 p.m.	Playground Gate
Year Five	8:45 a.m.	3:00 p.m.	Playground Gate
Year Six	8:45 a.m.	3:00 p.m.	Front Entrance

Buster's Weekend Friend – Abigail Year Five

This person is reliable and responsible. She has demonstrated the Thought of the Week in all that she does. She is hard working, attentive in class and always kind to others. Buster is going home with Abigail and we hope she has a great time with him.

Teacher Angel

This person saved our school from The Great Flood! He helped tremendously to clear the classrooms and fix the floors and walls. He organised a team of parents to help him and Miss Granite. This week's Teacher Angel is Mr. Higgins.

Stars of the Week

Nursery: Everyone who has started – you are amazing!

Reception: Elijah for showing more confidence during lessons and putting his hand up to answer questions. Well done!

Year One: This week's Star of the Week is Chloe Chappell. I was very pleased with her hard work. She always put up her hand on the carpet and she was very focused during independent work.

Year Two: Hayden, congratulations on being Star of the Week! You have done so well in settling into your new class. Also, fantastic work on your Goldilocks Wanted poster!

Year Three: Olivia has been superb this week! She has been concentrating really hard in all our lessons, especially Maths. She has also been very kind to others in the class. We are very proud of her!

Year Four: This week's star of the week is our new student Julia, she has settled in very quickly! She is kind, hardworking and always tries her best in each and every lesson.

Year Five: Alba has had an amazing week. She has worked conscientiously, producing work, (particularly in English) of a high quality. In the Dance lesson, Alba was majestic, following instructions perfectly and recreating dance moves that were both smooth and elegant. Brilliant!

Year Six: Zhen has had a fantastic start to the school year. He is always so hardworking, kind and considerate. His writing today was fantastic and very persuasive! Well done Zhen and I wish you the best of luck in the future.

I hope you have a restful weekend and keep safe.

With love and best wishes,

Ms. Woodford