



No 5 Friday 9th October 2020

Next Week's Events

Monday 12th October - Pay & Play after school club 3.30pm - 4.30pm.

Tuesday 13th October- Pay & Play after school club 3.30pm - 4.30pm

Wednesday 14th October- Sport after school club until 4.30pm

Thursday 15th October -Pay and play after school club

Friday 16th October - PE lesson in the afternoon - please come to school in PE kit

Future Diary Dates

THINGS TO REMEMBER - KS2

Signed reading records Monday

Orange spelling books every day

Reading books every day

Come to school in PE kit on a Friday

Trainers on a Wednesday if doing after school club

THINGS TO REMEMBER - KS1

Come to school in PE kit on a Friday

Trainers on a Wednesday if doing after school club

Heads Up

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I can see clearly now the rain has gone...

I have been getting used to wearing my glasses over the previous 2 weeks. I have always had to wear glasses but didn't have the choice or styles some of our pupils wear in school. Lots of services stopped during lockdown but it's really important to make sure if you have any concerns about your eyesight or that of your child then you get your eyesight checked at the local opticians. If you have any questions or concerns about your child's eyesight we can support you.

Bubbles

We have been in school for 5 weeks now and have been fortunate that our school bubble has remained in-tact. With cases increasing locally/nationally it is a pertinent time to remind everyone of the importance of hand washing, remembering social distancing protocols and letting school know if you or a member of your family have symptoms.

Mental Health

Lockdown is having a devastating effect on children and young people's mental health. It's been unbelievably hard, but together, we can make a difference and show young people they are not alone.

Saturday is World Mental Health Day it would be great to see any pictures of you and your families taking time to look after your mental health this weekend. It could be through exercise, hobbies or spending time together. Please send them in.

Thank You to Teachers and TAs

National Teachers Day was on Monday 5th October - I would just like to place on record my thanks again for the great work teachers and TAs have done since the start of term. There have been many changes for them to get used to, but I'm incredibly proud of their contributions to school and how they have supported your children on their return to school.

Harvest Food bank Donation

Although our plans for a Harvest Festival have been curtailed this year we would still like to make a contribution to the local food bank. If you would like to send in any tins, packets or appropriate food products then can you send them in next week and we will pass them on in the last week of term.

And Finally!

I loved spending a break time with Year 5 and Year 6 pupils this week. I need to improve my hula hoop skills!

Thanks for your continued support
Mr Linsley



Some of our year 5 & 6 children with their recent awards. Freya took part in a gymnastics competition and Amelie completed a 10k walk/cycle ride. Well done girls!

Reading Records & books

The children have all been given a reading book from our new scheme of books. The children have been assessed and allocated a relevant book. The books should travel between school and home each day, along with their reading record, in order for us to continue reading in school as well as at home. Reading is a weekly homework task and the aim is to read 5 times a week at home.

School office

Mrs Hughes will only be in school Thursday and Friday of next week. If you have an urgent message for school during the earlier part of the week, please telephone the junior building. Our bursar will be in on Monday morning and Mr Linsley is in all day on Tuesday and Wednesday so should be available to answer the phone. Alternatively, if there is no answer, please either leave a message or contact the infant building instead. Thank you.

Wednesday after school club

Those who attend the Wednesday sport after school club may wish to bring a change of clothes to wear for the club. We are intending to use the field as much as possible and, as some of you know from Wednesday night, it can get a little muddy at times!

Outdoor clothing

A reminder that all children should bring a coat with them, now that the weather is becoming more autumnal. Our PE sessions are held on the playing field and we are always outside at break time, so a coat is essential.

Hairstyles / jewellery

A reminder that those with long hair should have it tied up for school, please. This requirement is particularly important during PE lessons and forms part of our PE risk assessment. Similarly, earrings should be removed completely for PE or if your child has only recently had their ears pierced, they can be covered with tape/plasters from home. The only other jewellery worn in school should be a watch.

Items from home

This week in particular, we have seen a lot of children bringing in small toys, trading cards etc. from home. These are a distraction in class and should be left at home. The school is not responsible if these items go missing so the best thing to do is to not bring them in.