



Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 19th June 2020

Message from the Headteacher

We have been pleased to welcome a few more children back to school this week into our Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 6 groups (known as bubbles) and more will be joining us from Monday.

The children have settled well into the new routines and are working hard at their learning and enjoying time with the staff and their class-mates all whilst keeping themselves safe.

We are running eight bubbles – two for each of the year groups permitted to attend and two for critical worker children. We are using all available staff and space and therefore, whilst running these bubbles, do not have capacity for other year groups to return.

The Government and Kent guidance is clear regarding priority – we are required to make provision for critical worker and vulnerable children first, then Year R, 1 and 6 in that order. Whilst I very much hope this will not have to happen, were we to get to the point of exceeding capacity in the bubbles in the order as laid out above we would have to close bubbles – starting with Y6 - to accommodate the need. We are keeping a close eye on numbers and as you know attendance is by pre-booking so we do know in advance who is due to attend and can manage this accordingly.

Home Learning

With just four and a half weeks of this school year left before the long summer holiday it is important that, if your child is not at school for whatever reason, they are now completing the home learning set by the teachers. As you know this is on the school website. If you are having trouble accessing the learning then you need to email your class teacher who will work to help you. If you need another exercise book for your child to write in then you can collect from the open shed by the playground gate between 10am and 2pm any school day.

Over and above everything else the most important thing you can do to support your child is to make sure they are keeping up with their reading. Re-read books at home, order books online or download E-books from Kent Libraries. If you are not already a library member you will be given a temporary membership number which is valid for 3 months (this period may be extended depending on the national situation regarding coronavirus). Follow this link to find out more <https://www.kent.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/libraries/ebooks-eaudiobooks-emagazines-ene newspapers>

As always thank you for your ongoing support in these challenging times. Please do share your concerns and worries and I will be happy to address these to the best of my ability.

Helen Comfort





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Message from the Class 4 Teacher

Hello Everyone,

Well yet another week has gone by and we hope that you are all keeping safe and well.

We have been pleased with the work that has been sent to us and must say that the standard is exceptional, so well done and thank you all for continuing to work hard to complete your Home Learning.

We know that some of you have finally managed to meet a few of your friends too, which is great. We have also had some super photographs showing us what you have been doing and it is lovely to see you all enjoying yourselves. Have a good week. Miss you lots. Take care.

Mrs. Norley and Mr. Ball

Well Being

Some more links this week to support worries you may be having:

[FAMILY LIVES](#) – if you're finding it hard at home with your child and struggling to cope. Free, confidential advice is available: 0808 800 2222.

[NSPCC](#) – if you're concerned about the safety of another child in our community: 0808 800 5000. Call 999 if you believe a child is in immediate danger.

[INTERNET MATTERS](#) – offer advice and guidance on how to tackle online hate and trolls and how you can support your child.

[FEGANS](#) – have set up a family hub which contains articles and ideas for parents on how to manage family life during lockdown.

Useful Weblinks

[Home - BBC Bitesize](#)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize>

www.purplemash.com

www.vocabularyninja.co.uk/premium

<https://trockstars.com>

<https://www.annafreud.org/on-my-mind/self-care/>

[https://www.online-](https://www.online-stopwatch.com/classroom-timers/)

[stopwatch.com/classroom-timers/](https://www.online-stopwatch.com/classroom-timers/)

www.pobble365.com

The Week Ahead!

This week we will be looking at the Roman Invasion and the challenge is for you to try and create your own Roman calendar.

In English we will be studying some poetry and looking at a range of poems by various poets.

In mathematics we will be learning to count, compare amounts of, order and solve problems involving money.

