

Newsletter - Summer Term 6 Week 1

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Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers



Welcome back to our final half term of what has been another very unusual year. It would be good to think we are coming out of this pandemic but we are currently waiting to see what the Delta variant brings. R rates in the South East have gone up to between 1.0 and 1.2 but if the numbers of vaccinations mean hospital admissions and serious illness are significantly reduced, we will hopefully be able to continue our return to 'normal'.

Depending on how the situation develops, we are planning to hold two picnics on July 8th. The Primary one will happen in the morning between 11 and 12.30 and the secondary one will happen in the afternoon between 1.15 and 2.50. Each picnic will include music, choir performances, art displays and an opportunity to meet the teams. Both will take place outside. However, if restrictions are not lifted, we have a plan B to hold an event on line.

If they are able to go ahead, the picnics will also allow parents and carers of new students and those moving from primary to secondary, to meet the teams. All being well, we hope to offer each family changing sites, a personal time slot, to see the site. All students will receive a social story which will include details of their team and we are looking into how we can support transition using Class Dojo. Further information about the picnics and transition arrangements will be sent out when we have an idea what we will be able to offer.

Parents and Carers of primary students will be aware we were trialling new arrangements for the end of the school day, which have been successful and we are now going to adopt. As there is such a high volume of traffic in such a small area, we have had to put new measures in place. From now on, the school gates will be locked at 2.50 and all vehicles on site will be required to turn all engines off until all students are on their transport. Only once everyone is safely on, will the gates be unlocked, and all vehicles will leave at the same time. If you do not need to drive on site, please can you park on the road and use the footpath to the school. It is not necessary to do this at the start of the day as vehicles are turning up at different times and we do not see the same volume of traffic. Thank you so much for your cooperation so far and I am sure you appreciate that while it does cause some inconvenience, it does mean the site is much safer at the end of the day.

Can I also remind all parents and carers that masks need to be worn on site and we are able to supply them if you need one.

Have a fantastic weekend in the sun everyone and I really do hope to be able to write to you in the near future with information about how we can go ahead with our picnics.

Best wishes

Lucy

Headteachers Awards



Captain Tom Awards



Blue Class

In Blue Class we are continuing to learn about People Who Help Us, as part of our Safety topic.

We have been Police Officers, making sure everyone is safe at school. We have explored different uniform items as a part of our Sensory Story. One of the Blue Class pupils drew a picture of a police officer without any support! Lovely artwork.

Let's not forget the warm weather this week, some of us have been enjoying water play in the jacuzzi, such a joy to be at school again.



Bronze Class

This week Bronze class have been focussing on things that grow.

