



Friday 6th November 2020

Weekly Note from Mrs See...

Welcome Back to the second half of the Autumn Term, it was lovely to welcome the children back again and we're delighted that, despite the latest lockdown, schools are able to stay open and the children can keep accessing their education.

We understand that Lockdown and ongoing issues around employment etc. can bring with it huge challenges for families. Please remember that the school is here to serve our whole community, not just the children attending, so if any families find themselves in need of support or signposting to support services then please do not hesitate to get in touch. Please be assured that if you do need to reach out this will be handled sensitively and confidentially.

New look classroom- the children returned to a rather new look Butterfly Classroom which has been extended into the conservatory area to offer more room and an area more suited to more creative and messy play activities. We are delighted with what this relatively simple new doorway has enabled us to do with the space.

Remembrance - next week Remembrance or Armistice Day falls on Wednesday 11th November. We will be marking this occasion in school. Please see the attached poster sent with this newsletter with information from the Poppy Appeal in light of not being able to sell poppies in school this year.



Please also be reassured that even though Mrs See says we're not allowed to talk about it until December, we have begun planning for some events to celebrate Christmas this year. We will not release any details until we know what is going to be allowed to happen nearer the time.

Flu Immunisation - the children who received their flu immunisations this week were superstars when having it. Well done! If your child missed having this then please see the email sent from Mrs White which has details for how you can arrange getting your child immunised at a later date at the community flu clinics.

Homework - weekly homework to go along with reading, spellings and times table practise will begin this week. To again keep down what is brought to and from school we are trialling setting and receiving all homework electronically. Please see emails from your child's class teacher for details.

Parking - some staff have been approached by parents about challenges with parking at pick up time recently. We are aware that at this time of day the road can be busy, particularly with some contractors needing to park to access the building site across from the school at the moment. We thank you for your patience with parking when it is busy.

Book Fair - Next week we're really pleased to be hosting our first fundraising event - The Usborne Book Fair. This will hopefully be a great opportunity for people to get some high quality books in time for Christmas. The Fair will be a virtual fair with books and orders being made via our <u>Facebook page</u> or email from next Tues 10th Nov until Thurs 12th Nov. Sam 'The Book Lady' is organising our event and will be taking orders via Facebook (see details on there) or by visiting <u>Sam's website</u>. Please click on this hyperlink to go to the site to browse books and send orders via email. Every book sold will help raise some much needed money for the school too.

easyfundraising feel good shopping

We are also registered with easyfundraising and

given that it is likely that more shopping will happen online, each of your online purchases could help raise money for the school. Please see the letter sent with this for more details or go to the <u>easyfundraising website</u>. Thank you!







Children in Need: Five to Thrive - we normally do something for children in need and would like to do what we can to support the charity again this year. Therefore, next Friday children are invited (for a donation of parents choice) to come to school in whatever Sports Kit they would like. The aim of the day will be to look at ways in which we

can keep both our minds and bodies healthy. I will send out information for how to donate online next week.

We hope you have a good weekend and we'll see you all next week!

Kind regards, Mrs See



Invoices - please note Mrs White will be sending out invoices for Breakfast and After School Club, thank you in advance for paying these.

Year 4 Hooke Court - For parents of children in Year 4, please don't forget to return letters for Hooke Court 2021. Please get in touch if you need another copy of the letter sent at the end of last term. Thank you.





Celebration Awards for this week...

Well done to our superstar award winners this week:



Butterfly Class - Clayton and Amelia Kingfisher Class - Oscar and Rowan Lunchtime - Daniel J and Alexa PE - Mr Crowe: Hope and Kit DASP Citizen - Ella



Dates for the diary...

Autumn Term 2020

| Date | Event | Details |
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| Tues 9th - Thurs 11th November | Usborne Book Fair | Please see the newsletter or Facebook Page for details. |
| Thursday 11th November | Remembrance Day | This occasion will be marked with a service at school. |
| Friday 13th November | Children in Need 'Five to Thrive' | Please see the note above. |
| Monday 16th November | School Photos - individual and family groups | This is due to go ahead and photos will be ready in time for Christmas. More details to follow. |
| Friday 19th December | Last Day of Autumn Term | |
| | Monday 21st | - Friday 31st December |





| CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY | | |
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| Monday 4th January 2021 | All return to school for Spring Term | |

2020-21 Term Dates

AUTUMN TERM 2020

Tues 1st/Wed 2nd September - INSET DAY 1 & 2

Thursday 3rd September - Children in Pre-School, Reception, Year 3 and Year 4 return

Monday 7th September - Children in Year 1 and Year 2 return

AUTUMN HALF TERM - *Monday 19th October - Friday 30th October (Two Weeks)*

(Mon 19th/Tues 20th October - INSET DAYS 3 & 4)

Monday 2nd November - start of second half of Autumn Term

Friday 18th December - Last day of Autumn Term

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY- Monday 21st December - Friday 1st January

SPRING TERM 2021

Monday 4th January - Children return for Spring Term 2021

(Friday 12th February - INSET DAY 5 (School closed for children)

SPRING HALF TERM - *Monday* 15th - *Friday* 19th February





Monday 22nd February - start of second half of Spring Term

Thursday 1st April - Last day of Spring Term

EASTER HOLIDAY- *Friday 2nd April - Friday 16th April*

SUMMER TERM 2021

Monday 19th April - Children return for Summer Term 2021

(Monday 3rd May - May Bank Holiday 2021)

SUMMER HALF TERM - Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June 2021

Monday 7th June - start of second half of Summer Term

Friday 23rd July - Last day of Summer Term

SUMMER HOLIDAYS



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