

Dear Families,

We have had a wonderful start to the new school term and the children have tried very hard to settle back into the routine of school. We hope that we have a smooth term with no disruptions, fingers crossed. We have many events and celebrations to look forward to.

We now need to ensure we all return to our routines so that we can continue to keep everyone as safe as is possible. So we have a few reminders for our children and families:

1. **Masks** – Please ensure any adults arriving at school wear a face mask, unless there is a medical reason why this is not possible.

2. **Mobile phones** – Please ensure any adults with mobile phones are not being used and are put away when arriving at school.

3. **Parking/road safety** – Please ensure that when parking your cars outside school that consideration is taken for our local residents and access ways are not blocked. Also ensure you supervise your children when crossing the roads and remember your 'green cross code'.

4. **Testing** – Please remember that Lateral Flow tests are available for free (it's recommended to test twice a week) 'Don't give up now, get tested twice a week.' Follow this link to find where to get yours: <u>https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Coronavirus/Testing/Testing-for-people-without-symptoms.aspx</u>





Eid celebrations

This half term, we will be celebrating Eid in school with the children. This will be a fantastic opportunity for us to come together as a school community and celebrate this important occasion. Due to the current circumstances, this year classes will be taking part in these celebrations in their class bubbles and unfortunately we will not be able to share food as we have done previously. Our in-school celebrations will be on Friday 14th May. On this day, children are welcome to wear non**uniform** and we will be taking part in activities within our classes in the afternoon. We look forward to sharing the celebration of Eid across the school and providing the children with an opportunity to celebrate together with staff and children alike.



World Book Week!

29th March saw the start of our World Book week. This was a great way to bring the whole school together once again after the last lockdown. All the staff and children had great fun with the introduction of the book 'Orion and the Dark' and our mysterious 'masked readers'! The teachers planned some fantastic and stimulating activities across a range of subjects and the children produced some wonderful work. On Thursday 1st April we ended the week with our 'Dress as a book character/ non-uniform day' and as you can see by some of the photos displayed there were some amazing costumes. We were also lucky enough to have some new books donated to the school which we were able to give out as prizes! All in all it was a really inspiring week, showing the best of our school community. What a lovely way to finish our Spring Term!





Bikeability

Level 1 Bikeability training took place for some of our pupils in Y5 just before Easter. The training took place on the school playground and involved some of the basic skills required for riding a bike safely. All of our amazing children passed the Level 1 training and will now undertake Level 2 training in May which will take place on the roads around school. A huge well done to all the children who took part!





Calendar dates

Summer Term 2021 Term starts: Monday 19 April May Day: Monday 3 May Half term: Monday 31 May - Friday 4 June Term ends: Friday 16 July Inset Days (school closed): 19-21 July Holiday: Monday 19 July - Tuesday 31 August

Happy Summer term!