



The 'BROADCAST'

Newsletter 2: Friday 4th September 2020

Dear Parents

Thank you for helping us guarantee a smooth transition for all pupils back to school. They have all settled into their new classes and are certainly enjoying mixing with their friends again. Your child's teacher will be writing to you with a letter personal to their class. You can view this letter, along with a topic web, on the class pages of the website. This will give you information regarding P.E days, reading books and the topic they are studying. We look forward to welcoming our Reception children on Monday. Clubs will be starting this term and more details will follow. We anticipate being able to offer Gymnastics, Kickstreme, Dance and Andy Tucker Football. Football league begins after half term.

Year 6 children will shortly receive the paperwork they need to express their choice of secondary schools. We usually hold a meeting for parents to support you in this process. Unfortunately, this year we cannot. Please note that the date of the Grammar School entry test is now Saturday 17th October. This means that results will not be available by the time the form of choices has to be submitted. However, should you indicate a grammar as your first choice and your child is not selected, this choice will automatically be removed and your second choice will be considered as your first. If you need individual support I am only too happy to help.

Well done to all the children and parents who entered our Summer Term Big Write Challenge. We are enjoying reading through all the entries and will notify you soon of our winners. We will be taking a rest from Big Write in school this half term. This will enable more direct teaching time to help make up the time lost.

Every year we ask you to complete the following paperwork so that our records are up to date.

- Home School Agreement
- Permission letter
- Medical Form

Your child has been given paper copies so they can be signed and returned to school as soon as possible. Please remember that it is vital you keep us informed if your telephone number changes. We need to get hold of you quickly if there was an emergency. There will be no trips this term. We await further Government guidance regarding overnight stays. At the moment we are unable to guarantee we will be able to go to the Isle of Wight. However, we will offer this trip if we obtain permission to do so.

Your children will be given a new PAWS folder next Friday. They have until 11th December to complete these activities. Please use Seesaw to collect evidence as well as doing some of the activities on paper. This gives your child a good balance of ways to record.

Forthcoming dates for your diary

Key Dates - Autumn Term-2020

more details will be available nearer the time of each individual event

Monday 7th September- Reception children start school.

Saturday 17th October-Grammar School Entrance Exam

Monday 26th October-Friday 30th October-Half Term

Monday 2nd November-School starts

Wednesday 18th November-Individual photos

Friday 11th December - PAWS in

Friday 18th December- Term finishes at 2pm

There are 3 important attachments for you to read:

- Seesaw
- Reading
- Mobile Phones in school

Please ensure you read all these documents carefully. We want you to understand how we will be working this term and to communicate our reasons as clearly as we can. With little face to face contact our newsletter continues to be the most accessible way of sharing information with you.