



The **BROADCAST'**

Newsletter 31: Friday 21st May 2021

Dear Families

Thank you for your support with the minor tweaks we made to our Risk Assessment. Year 5 and 6 have been great role models as they return to using the Key Stage 2 gate to enter and exit the playground. They have enjoyed the opportunity to go straight to their classrooms in the morning. This has certainly added to a very calm start for them all. Next week, the teachers will be discussing the progress the children have made this term with the Senior Management Team. This enables information to be gathered ready for reports to be written. They will be shared with you all at the end of the school year in the usual way.

Big Write

The task for Monday 24th May will be for pupils to look through their Big Writes and determine in which ways they have progressed. They will have an opportunity to review a piece of work and be guided as to how they could further improve it.

Holidays in Term Time

As the country opens to more opportunities I want to remind you of the policy of taking holidays in term time. Head teachers are not able to authorise holidays in term time. It is important that children are in school everyday.

If you chose to take your children out of school during term time it will be unauthorised.

You must inform the school of your intention to do so for safeguarding reasons. Simply, we need to know where the children are and that they are safe.

Any families taking a holiday in term time risk being fined by the Local Authority. More worryingly for your child is the fact that they will miss crucial learning time.

The Friends are looking for any unwanted items that parents could donate to be used in our gift bag tombola on the 8th July (Happy's Circus). If you have anything, from writing sets, books, toys, gift sets etc we would be extremely grateful! (Items need to be new/nearly new.)

BRING TO SCHOOL AND POP IN BOX LOCATED OUTSIDE EACH CLASSROOM.

Mobile Phones in School- Please discourage your child from bringing their mobile phone to school unless you think it is absolutely necessary. In these circumstances we ask you to write a letter explaining why it is essential that your child has their phone. This is school policy. The policy is on our website. Phones are stored by the teacher during the day and given back to your child at the end.

If children are allowed to bring a mobile phone without these steps it encourages all children to think they need one. This leads to a phone becoming a desirable birthday present request at a younger and younger age. Not only does this put pressure on family budgets it also enables children to have access to ways of communicating that they do not fully understand. We all can recognise how easy it is to confidently send an unkind message.

As a school we ensure that our curriculum uses technology in a purposeful way whilst we educate the children on dangers of accessing sites and programmes that they are not legally entitled to use. Most sites have a minimum age of 13. It is our responsibility to protect our children online in the same way as we do when making decisions about other everyday activities.

Please be careful. Educate yourself so you can protect your child.

Dates for your diary- Summer Term

Monday 31st May- Friday 4th June- Half Term

Monday 7th June- Year 4 TRAC Centre

Tuesday 24th June- Sports Day

Wednesday 30th June- Reserve Sports Day

Friday 2nd July- PAWS in

Thursday 8th July- Happy's Circus!

Show 1- 5:00pm

Show 2- 7:00pm

Wednesday 14th July- Leavers Party 3-Spm

Thursday 15th July- Leavers Assembly 9:15am