

Learning and Caring Together,
“...they will flourish in the courts of our God.” (Psalm 92:13)

Re-opening 4

26th June 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

Well what a difference a week makes. Last week wet and windy and this week soaring temperatures. Thank you for making sure that your children arrive wearing sun cream and that they have sun cream and hats in school. They really have been necessary this week.

We have had another good week in school and lots of positive experiences from home continue to be shared through Class Dojo. From next week, I will be awarding my **Principal Award** stickers (via Dojo) to children (and parents J), in Years 2, 3 and 4, in recognition of excellent efforts with home learning and for using our school values in action over the last few months.

Morris has finally made an appearance in school. (Thank you for sending in your permission slips.) He met many children on the gate and visited some classrooms on his extendable lead too. Most children were excited, a few were a little nervous and Morris had a great time. He will be visiting at intervals over the next few weeks and can't wait to meet the Year 4 children on Friday and ALL children when they return after the summer holidays too.

Mrs Clifford has emailed a letter to all year 4 parents and carers today with arrangements for their special **Leavers' Day** next week. Thank you so much to key worker families that have managed to make alternative arrangements for this day, this is greatly appreciated by us all. **Remember that school is closed to all except Year 4 Leavers and Key Worker families that are unable to make alternative arrangements on Friday 3rd July 2020.**

Thank you for returning your booking form requests for **holiday and before and after school care requirements**. We have had several enquiries about holiday provision for older siblings and past pupils and will get back to you with more information on this next week. I added a post to Dojo on Tuesday asking about resources that the children would 'wish' for. Thank you for the replies so far. Remember to ask your child and add their ideas to the comments on the post if you haven't already done so.

As you will all appreciate, **transition** this year is very different for all. Our usual 'bump up' days and information sessions can't take place. We are currently working on 'the next best thing'. We are developing home learning packs, with a focus on transition, and preparing presentations to share too. We are currently organising classes and will notify you of your child's class for 2020-2021 in the coming weeks. Our priority in decision making is wellbeing for the children on their return to school. I ask that you don't send in 'appeals' in advance. If you have any concerns at the point of allocation, we will arrange to discuss these with you at that point.

Before I sign off for the week, I am just adding a couple of reminders. Please do not send hand gel from home into school. This is not allowed as all products in school need to be risk assessed in line with The Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations 2002 (COSHH). Any gel currently in school will be sent home on Monday. Please be assured that the hygiene measures in place are in line with all health and safety guidelines; the children wash and sanitise their hands through regular, supervised routines.

May I also remind you that all children in Key Stage One and Two need to arrive at school with their shirts tucked in and wearing the school or rainbow tie? If the weather is particularly hot during the day, teachers will allow children to remove their ties and undo the top button of their school shirts. Children in the Early years must also arrive with their polo tops tucked in and their top buttons fastened. Thank you for your support with this.

Enjoy your weekend all.

With very best wishes,

Mrs Machin



Mrs S. Machin
Principal