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Friday Note
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Dear Parents

Drop Offs and Pick Ups

I would like to thank parents for a much-improved week in terms of dropping off and collecting your children. Keeping to your times is key to ensure that this stays successful and more importantly safe for everybody involved. I am sure that you are all aware of the rising national problem of Covid19 cases increasing in many areas of the country and the last thing we want is for schools to close again! Whilst waiting for your child it is essential that you maintain your safe space from other adults and the 'Rule of 6' also applies in school.

Please remember that there is also a strongly advised route into and away from school which has again been posted onto our Weduc Newsfeed.

Our above arrangements are constantly being reviewed and in doing so we are trying to balance this with any significant loss of learning time in school. If a year group is being collected early then it is quite likely that they will be having slightly less assembly time or afternoon play to help make up for this. But it is also worth noting that official learning time does not start until after morning registration at 8.50am and not at 8.30am.

On a personal note I would also like to thank the parents who have sent supportive messages to the school in recognition of our efforts in keeping the school safe for the children and also ourselves.

Fosseway Café

Fosseway café have asked us to remind you that they are closing daily at 2.45pm.



Curriculum meetings

Unfortunately, our usual Curriculum meetings will be unable to take place in school this September. These meetings were designed to take parents/carers through expectations for the new year group and cover administration issues for your classes (PE, reading book etc).



Class teachers are now instead putting together a Powerpoint presentation that will be shared with you on Weduc by September 21st. This should clarify any questions that you may still have.

We appreciate that face to face communication with your child's class teacher is more challenging so would continue to encourage you to use Weduc as your main method of communication.

Sleep Support

We understand some children may be having trouble sleeping at night due to anxieties about school at this current time. Over the next few weeks we will be putting a few useful tips on here which we hope may help with some of those night time worries.

- Make a worry or dream doll, tell all your worries to your doll before you go to sleep and pop your doll under your pillow.
- Go to bed at a reasonable time. (your mum and dad know best!)
- Put some socks on if you get cold feet. Warm feet will help you get to sleep quicker!
- Turn off all computers and mobiles two hours before bedtime.
- Draw a picture of something lovely you want to dream about just before bedtime.

We hope to hear of some great dreamy stories!

Reading

We have made some changes to how reading books will work this year. Please ensure you have read the letter shared on Weduc earlier today. Any questions please just ask.

Help your child with home reading

Please can you make sure that you hear your child read their school reading book 5 days each week. This needs to be recorded in their reading record book. At KS1 we ask parents and carers to fill out the comments, whereas in KS2, the children should be recording what they have read and writing a comment. Both reading books and reading record books need to be in school EVERY DAY!

Dinners

Dinners **MUST** be ordered by Thursday every week for the following week on ParentPay.

If nothing is ordered and your child is expecting a meal we will no longer be able to provide one and you will have to bring a packed lunch up for them straight away.

As you know we have changed catering providers and we have to follow their strict guidelines with regards to ordering. We are now a hub kitchen for 6 other school and cooking over 800 meals a day so we would really appreciate your support with this.

Any problems at all with parent pay, please just call.

Congratulations

Congratulations to the Best family who have a new baby. Arthur was born on Monday weighing a very healthy 9lb 8.5 oz.



Diary Dates

September

Mon 28th -

Thurs 1st Remote Parents Evenings

October

Tues 6 Pupils Individual Photos

Weds 7 Pupils Individual Photos

Weds 21 Pupils break up for Half Term

Thurs 22nd – Fri 30th Half Term

November

Mon 2 Inset Day

Tues 3 Start of Term 2

Weds 11 Book Fayre in school

Thurs 12 Bedtime Stories

December

Fri 18

Pupils break up for Christmas holidays

January

Mon 4

Inset Day

Tues 5

Inset Day

Weds 6

Start of Term 3



February

Fri 12

Pupils break up for Half Term

Mon 22

Start of Term 4

March

Fri 5

Reports out

Mon 8

Parents Evening

April

Thurs 1

Pupils break up for Easter holidays

Mon 19

Start of Term 5

May

Mon 3

Bank Holiday

Wed 5 – Fri 7 Year 4 Camp

Mon 10 – Fri 14 SATS

Mon 17 – Fri 21 Year 6 Camp

Fri 28

Pupils break up for Half Term

June

Mon 7

Start of Term 6

Thurs 24

Sports Day Yrs 1-6

Fri 25

Sports Day for Reception

July

Mon 12 – Fri 16 Fantastic Futures

Fri 23 Pupils finish school for Summer holidays