

Welcome back everyone !

DIARY DATES

JEANS FOR GENES—ONLINE DONATIONS ONLY PLEASE
18TH SEPTEMBER

MACHILLAN—ONLINE DONATIONS ONLY PLEASE
25TH SEPTEMBER

VIRTUAL PARENT FORUM 9TH OCTOBER 9.30AM ON ZOOM

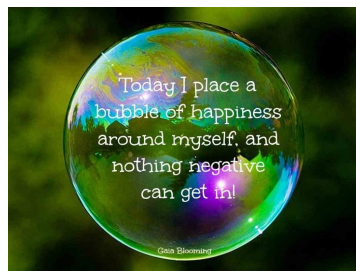
PARENTS' EVENING THROUGHOUT WEEK COMMENCING 12TH OCTOBER VIA PHONE CALLS

BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM
21ST OCTOBER

Dear Parents, Children and Staff,

I cannot tell you how wonderful it is to see everyone back at school and all of our lovely families at drop off and pick up, albeit at a distance.

The children have settled back into school routines, including all the new routines so well and everyone seems really happy to be back.



A special thank you to our cleaners and caretakers who worked hard over the summer to ensure the school was deepcleaned and ready for our return.



A huge welcome too, to all of our new Reception pupils who came into school on their first day so confidently. I would also like to welcome new pupils in other years - Amelia and Isaac in Mrs Gibson's class, Ella and Dylan in Mrs King's class and a welcome back to Alicia in Mrs Reddey's class.

Your children may be telling you about changes in classrooms. Teachers have been busy over the summer holiday making changes to classrooms. Some changes are to meet our Covid Risk Assessment criteria, eg children sitting in rows. However there have also been some lovely new developments to rooms in terms of changes to resources. Reception and year 1 and 2 in particular have had substantial overhauls over the summer to make the classrooms more inviting. Thank you to all families that donated spare equipment.



Nursery

Exciting news, our new partnership with the preschool is up and running. Anyone interested in nursery places for 3 year olds upwards for afternoons only should contact the school office. Mornings are provided at the Pre-school.

Our Christian value this term is Hope. This is to fit in especially with our Hope for a happy , safe start to the new school year.



PATHS

As part of our recovery curriculum we will be introducing the children to PATHS this term. PATHS stands for Promoting Alternative Thinking Strategies and is a focus on helping children to understand and express their feelings. You can read about it from this link and we will be sending an information documents to parents with this newsletter.

www.pathseducation.co.uk

Learning

Teachers are busy helping pupils settle back into school routines. As part of this they will be assessing where children are in their learning and what we need to help them with as we make good progress. Teachers will be meeting you for virtual parent evenings throughout the week of October 9th via phone calls.

Clubs

We hope to be able to start after-school clubs after half term in some form. There is still space in early drop off club in the morning though.

Stay safe and well x

Mrs Gardener September 2020

