



Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcoming all the children back to school has been an absolute joy. They have quickly settled back into school routines and have set wonderful standards in terms of their behaviour around school. We hope the period until Easter will be as smooth as possible without interruptions to class learning. However, we will still need to close bubbles in the event of a positive case. We hope this doesn't happen, but if it does, we will communicate it in the same way as we have before.

#### Curriculum offer and experiences

We are aiming to make our curriculum offer fun, engaging and with as many memorable activities as possible. In the list below are some of the exciting activities from each class this week.

- F1 are making a collage and edible stick men this week.
- F2 have made mini-beasts using creative art skills.
- Year 1 developing the outdoor provision for opportunities to learn in the outside spaces.
- Year 2 investigated different ways to melt ice blocks to see who could save the polar animals the quickest.
- Year 3 took part in a rainforest day on Monday to investigate plants through artwork.
- Year 4 have written worry balloons based on their lockdown experiences and imagined them floating away.
- Year 5 have written adverts for board games they have designed this week.
- Year 6 have created collaborative Rangoli patterns on a grand scale.

Please can children from Year 2 to Year 6 bring trainers each day for fit-in fifteen activities. If they are currently wearing trainers as their shoes are too small, then these will be fine. If there are specific days to bring trainers on, this will be provided by year group staff through Class Dojo.

#### Collection and the one-way system

Thank you for your cooperation at collection time where we are trying to ensure none of the children have their day reduced due to sibling collection. If you are collecting two siblings in the same part of school, arrive on site at the later collection time and class staff will wait with the younger sibling until you collect them.

Thank you also to the vast majority of parents and carers who are observing our informal one-way system on Norton and Vicar Road. I was outside this morning and the traffic was flowing well with everyone being kind towards other road users and pedestrians. I will try to be out as often as possible but this cannot happen every day. Please observe our one-way system to keep all members of the school community safe.

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Live-check-in permissions

We hope we don't need to close bubbles over the next few weeks but if we do and we have staffing capacity in classes from Year 2 to Year 6 to run a live check-in each day to support the children's contact with their class teacher and engagement in learning. If you didn't complete a live check-in agreement because your child was in school during lockdown, please complete this and either email back to school or send in physically in your child's book bag by Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March.

F1 places for September

If your child is three before September or you know a family this applies to, we have Foundation 1 places for September. Please contact the office on 01709 760471 as soon as practically possible so we can allocate your child one of the places we still have available.

Breakfast club

Mrs Burrows will continue to allocate breakfast club places from the waiting list she is holding. Happily, she has been able to accommodate most needs to date. If you currently have a place, you don't need to do anything further until May half-term. If you would like a place for your child or children who don't have places, please email Mrs Burrows at the school email address below or telephone her on the school telephone number.

If you have any questions about the items in this newsletter, please contact me via the school telephone number of 01709 760471 or by emailing [school@wce.jmat.org.uk](mailto:school@wce.jmat.org.uk).

Yours sincerely

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