

'Striving for Excellence'
Headteacher: Mrs D. Dack

NEWSLETTER 7 MARCH 2021

We would like to thank everybody for their co-operation and support over the past 2 months in what has been a very challenging and stressful time for many. We know it can get busy at drop off and pick up times, and must stress how important it is that children are dropped off and picked up at their allotted times. Face coverings must be worn by all adults bringing and collecting children.

Please see the timetable below for drop off and pick up collections, to start on Monday 8th March.

<u>Arrival Times:</u>	<u>Departure Times:</u>	<u>Gate /Entrance:</u>
Year 6: 8.40am	3.00pm	Main gate
Year 5: 8.50am	3.00pm	Main gate
Year 4: 8.40am	3.00pm	Swimming pool gate – side of school
Year 3: 8.50am	2.55pm	Swimming pool gate – side of school
Class 2S: 8.50am	2.55pm	Main gate
Class 2HQ: 8.50am	2.55pm	Millennium gate
Class 1A: 8.50am	3.00pm	Millennium gate
Class 1S: 8.50am	3.00pm	Main gate
Class F1: 8.50am	2.50pm	Main gate
Class F2: 8.50am	2.50pm	Millennium gate

We have asked teachers to allow older children to leave earlier so they can come out at the same time as their siblings to alleviate congestion at the gates. Please could all children bring in their exercise books that they have been using to complete their remote learning. On PE days children need to come in dressed in their PE kit. Teachers will inform you which day your child has PE. Navy jogging bottoms can be worn with a school jumper. There will be no swimming this term. Catch up sessions will commence after Easter, families will be informed separately. Separate information will be sent out about after school clubs and Parents evening will be online using the School Cloud System.

WORLD BOOK DAY

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 4th March. As this will be via remote learning and Zoom we look forward to virtually seeing everybody dressed as their favourite book character. Please upload pictures onto ItsLearning so we can share with everybody. There will be an art competition with a prize for the most creative piece in EYFS/KS1 & KS2. Some of the staff will be recording themselves reading their favourite book for you to watch and listen to. Don't forget to use your £1 book token which was sent home by email. All the class teachers are planning lessons and activities to celebrate World Book Day and will let you know on their ItsLearning page.

COMIC RELIEF

We will be raising money for Comic Relief on Friday 19th March 2021. This will be a non uniform day for a minimum donation of £1 which can be paid on Sims Pay. Pupils can dress in something red, dye their hair, wear fancy dress or come dressed as a superhero. There will be a special dinner on the day. Details will be sent home shortly.

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Parent Consultations will take place on Tuesday 23rd, Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th March from 3.30pm to 5pm. All meetings will be held online. You will need to book through the online system and details of how to book will be sent home shortly. Report cards will be sent home prior to the consultations. If you are unable to access the internet please inform the school office/class teacher who will be able to offer you a ten minute phone call during the times above.

ECO SCHOOL—GREEN FLAG

We are pleased to say we have received our Eco School Green Flag award. We are so proud of our Eco Teams that have worked hard over the current and past academic year; all their hard work has contributed to making this possible. We also couldn't have achieved this without our collaborative projects with the PTA and our wonderful children being so engaged in our eco-initiatives. Some of the work completed remotely for subjects such as PSHE, geography and science had fantastic eco-links and enabled us to provide further evidence to support our application, so a huge well done to all.

STAFF NEWS

We would like to wish Miss O'Donovan all the best as she starts a new job. She has worked in the school office for the last 7 years and will be greatly missed.

KEY DATES UNTIL EASTER 2021

Thursday 4th March—World Book Day—Dress as your favourite book character.

Monday 8th March—All pupils return to school.

Friday 19th March—Comic Relief Day—Non uniform day for a minimum donation of £1 to be paid via Sims Pay.

Tuesday 23rd, Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th November —Parent Consultations this will be a 10 min appointment with the class teacher via Parent Cloud.

Friday 26th March—Last day of term.

Monday 29th March—Friday 9th April — Easter Holidays.

Monday 12th April— Inset Day

Tuesday 13th April—Pupils return to school.