

Newsletter



Friday 26th
February 2021



It's been lovely to get back to school and learning after half term - we've certainly hit the ground running!

As you will have seen from our letter earlier this week we are delighted to be welcoming all the children back to school on Monday 8th March. Much of this week has been taken up with preparing for their return.

On Monday we will be sending out a letter with all the finer details you need however I can answer a few things that have come up already.

Will you be serving hot dinners? – Yes! We will send out the menu next week which will run for the rest of this term.

Can the children wear Summer uniform? Yes. Children can wear either Summer or Winter uniform when they return. It is only 3 weeks until Easter and the change of uniform so it seems silly not to – it is your choice.

Daily Calls next Friday – some alteration

Teachers have lots to plan and get ready for the Week of the 8th March of which they are already starting to do. All staff need to ensure their classrooms are ready to go and I need to meet with staff to establish protocols etc. **With this in mind we will not be holding calls on Friday 5th March and feedback on this day will be minimal.** Work will continue to be set for this day as normal and we will ensure that it is generally work the children should be able to do independently. I hope you understand teachers need to have this day to ensure they are ready for the children's return to school.

Today you will also receive an email with a Microsoft form which will ask you a few questions about your child's experiences at home over the last few weeks. Please do fill this in so that we know how best to support your child when they return in a week's time. It shouldn't take longer than a few minutes and we'd very much appreciate them back by Tuesday next week. Knowing how your child has coped and is feeling will help us to make the transition back to school smooth and effective.

Have a lovely weekend – let's hope the sun stays shining!
Mrs Smith
Head Teacher

*God's Word is a lamp to guide our feet
and a light for our path.
Inspired by Psalm 119:105*

Remote Learning Questionnaire

Before the holidays we sent out a remote learning questionnaire. Thank you to those of you who responded. Myself and Mr Dickson have taken time to look through your responses and have written how we will respond to some of your feedback

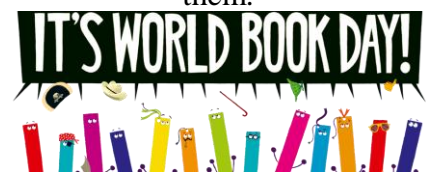
This can be found on the school's website on our [remote learning page](#). Please do go and take a look!

Shout Outs!

Thank you to all of you who responded to our shout outs before half term. These were all collated for each member of staff and distributed to them before half term. They were blown away and a few even got a little teary – myself included. Your support means everything. Thank you to everyone who sent one.

Next Week!

Next week as well as planning our return we will be celebrating World Book day at Orsett. I'm very excited especially about the masked reader! Mr Dickson sent out an email earlier this week with all the details needed however they are summarised below if you haven't seen them.



World Book Day – what to expect next week!

Monday – Staff sharing their favourite stories with you all as part of your daily Call and on YouTube.

Tuesday and Wednesday – Lots of activities around writing including a joint story writing activity across the school which will be shared with you on Monday 8th March

Thursday – Dress up as your favourite book character (optional) and The Masked Reader

I'm sure it's going to be a lot of fun! I've seen the masked reader and some of them are very tricky to guess!

