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Loving one another, building each other up

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Newsletter 30

Dear Parents,

Christian Value for Life

Our Christian Value for Life this term is Courage.

Term 6

This term did not quite begin as we hoped, however all staff should return to school by Monday 21st June 2021 at the latest. We hope that children in Holly Leaves and Holly Berries Classes have enjoyed time with their temporary teachers. We will continue to be in our class bubbles and ask that parents continue to bring and collect their children using the staggered start and finish times.

Class	Start Time	Finish Time
Pre-School	8.45	2.45
Holly Leaves	Between 8.50 – 9.00	Between 3.05 – 3.15
Holly Berries	Between 8.50 – 9.00	Between 3.05 – 3.15
Chestnut	Between 8.40 – 8.50	Between 2.55 - 3.05
Maple	Between 8.40 – 8.50	Between 2.55 – 305

We continue to operate a drop and go policy and ask that parents do not gather to chat in the playground or in Oak Way carpark. Please remember to wear your face mask and keep a social distance from each other. Your help to minimise the Covid-19 risks are much appreciated. The current School Risk Assessment for Covid-19 is posted on the school website.

We have made the decision that we will not hold any trips or visits this term but are busy planning activities that can take place in school.

Illness / Absence from School

If your child is unwell before the start of the school day, please do not bring them into school. Please phone the school office and let a member of staff know exactly what symptoms your child is exhibiting, even if you do not suspect Covid-19.

If your child becomes ill during the school day, we will ask to you come and pick them up as soon as possible. We will request that you access a Covid-19 test and follow the government guidance <u>'stay at home: guidance for</u> <u>households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection'.</u>

The most important symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of any of the following:

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness. However, if you have any of the symptoms above you must stay at home and arrange to have a test to see if you have COVID-19. Information on how to access a test can be found online at <u>www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test</u>.

Please note that the guidance is clear that if you have symptoms you should book a PCR test at a testing site. The Lateral Flow Device (LFT) tests that are freely available are designed to be used on symptom free people so should not be used to rule in or rule out Covid-19.

Thank you

We would like to thanks Paul Williams Plumbing and Heating for their kind donation to the school. We have purchased Ino-bots - floor robots, for use in the junior classes.

Staff News

Please see separate letter regarding staffing changes for September 2021.

Sports Day

Our sports day this year will take place on **Wednesday 23rd June 2021** and we ask that all children come to school in their PE kits. Pro-Stars, our PE provider, will host the day based on the Tokyo Olympics. If it is warm and sunny please remember the sun cream and sun hats. Unfortunately due to current Covid-19 restrictions we are not able to invite parents to this event.

Holiday Requests

We are all looking forward to a lovely holiday away from home but, before you book, please remember that the Governments guidance remains very clear that we cannot authorise holiday requests, so any requests submitted will not be authorised.

A few reminders:

- Children should only bring water into school for their drink bottles that are kept on their tables. Squash, juice etc nothing fizzy can be brought in for a lunchtime drink.
- Jewellery should not be worn in school.
- As summer approaches please remember to bring a waterproof coat, sun hats, sun cream etc.
- Dogs should not be brought on to the school premises and we ask you not to block the pathways to the school.
- We understand may of our children enjoy playing in the park after school, this will be the first time during the day that classes have mixed, as a school we are still required to stay in our class bubbles. We ask that you continue to follow the Governments rules of social distancing and supervise your children to help us keep our school community safe from Covid-19.
- If you are dropping or collecting children at any time of day please remember to use the rear entrance to the school.

Thank you.

Diary Dates

Wednesday 23 rd June	Olympic Sports Day
Wednesday 7 th July	New to Reception class parents meeting via Zoom
Thursday 8 th July	Maple Class Prom
Friday 9 th July	New to Reception class Forest Schools session 10 – 12.30
Friday 16 th July	Reports sent to parents
Friday 16 th July	Last day for Pre-School
Monday 19 th July	Leavers Play via Zoom at 1.30 and 6.00 – details to follow
Wednesday 21 st July	Last day of Term, 10.30 Leavers service via Zoom, school ends at 1.00

Term Dates 2021/22

Term 1	Monday 6 th September – Friday 22 nd October	(Inset days 2 nd and 3 rd September)
Term 2	Tuesday 2 nd November – Friday 17 th December	(Inset day 1 st November)
Term 3	Tuesday 4 th January – Thursday 17 th February	(Inset day 18 th February)
Term 4	Monday 28 th February – Friday 8 th April	
Term 5	Monday 25 th April – Friday 27 th May	
Term 6	Tuesday 7 th June – Friday 22 nd July	(Inset day 6 th June)