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Dear Parent/Carer

This week in school:

Highlights from learning this week at home and school have been the complex 3d shape models as well as the 3d balloon paper craft, letters to new teachers and the creativity demonstrated in poems by key stage 1 and “red door stories” by Reception. I have been really impressed with the standard of learning in this penultimate week of the year. Learning continues next week with some changes to the timetable to reflect the end of year transition. Teachers will post year group learning this afternoon in a slightly different place. There is now a new tab on the menu bar. Plans will be posted under the whole-school tab this week. From September, in place of indoor class noticeboards, class overview plans and messages will be posted weekly under each class tab.

We are really looking forward to seeing any current Reception who have not been in school so far and all Year 1 and 2 children for meet the teacher and farewell sessions next week. Term ends for all children on Friday 17th June. The last day of term will be a non-uniform day, with donations of £1 to be collected for FHIS – thank you.

Please can I remind all parents to keep to our drop off and pick up arrangements, arriving at the allotted times and not waiting within either the infant or junior playgrounds. Gatherings on site must be avoided in order to reduce risk and enable us to maintain our provision.

September:

With a ‘route map’ for September published by the local authority, we have continued our

Friday 10 July 2020

plans for a safe return of children after the holidays. Key factors in our plan are minimising contacts between groups of children and limiting movement around our site. All arrangements are subject to change should local or national public health guidance require.

Term will start on **Thursday 3rd September** for children in Year 1 and 2. Reception children will begin individual family visits in this first week spanning Thursday, Friday and the following Monday. Individual timings for this and the induction timetable will be sent to families on Monday.

There will be a staggered start for classes across the infant and junior site. Our arrangement is based on a need to reduce the numbers moving along the narrow outside corridors as well as to reduce build-up of classes that share a corridor using the bathrooms at key points in the day.

Timings:

Classes with odd numbers will start at 8:45 and finish at 3:15 (odd times) and **classes with even numbers will start at 9:00 and finish at 3:30** (even times). This is paramount in managing risk and although we know that some families will have children starting at different times, we will rely on you to support us in managing the contraflow. Reception start times will be during a window from 8:45-9:15 during the induction period so that families can choose a time that will best suit their child (avoiding the busier times if preferred) and taking a little longer to settle the youngest children. Parents will not be permitted to go across the junior site at any time in the day.

Our in-school timetable will be staggered so that breaks and lunch are at different times, reducing contact between groups. More details will follow next week.

Hygiene:

Frequent hand washing arrangements will continue. In addition to the current stations, we will be adding handwashing facilities outside every exterior classroom door

Hygiene practices will form part of our curriculum

School cleaning arrangements will be enhanced

Classrooms:

We will create room layouts that are suitable for the age of the children in each year group. Spacing will maximise the ability for social distancing

Essential resources will be on display, including a book corner, but soft furnishing and hard to clean resources will be stored

Curriculum:

An adapted curriculum to enable children to settle back into routines and support well-being will be central

Plans for catch up and progression in key learning will be in place

Finally, please can I ask each family to take the time to complete a survey to summarise parent opinion on the home-learning offer that has been provided during closure. This will be invaluable in supporting contingency plans for any local lockdowns or group isolation.

The short survey can be found here:

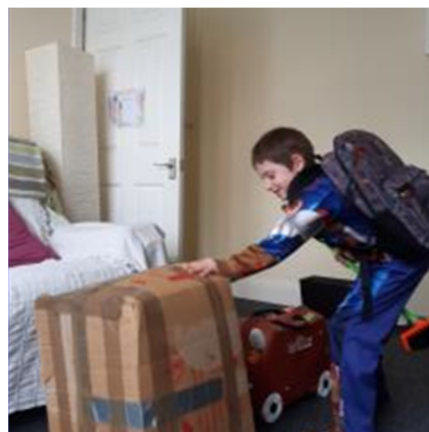
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Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Gemma Fricker

Here's a snapshot of what we've been doing at home.....



Jake discovering and capturing a new dangerous animal!



Connor really enjoyed experimenting with making different Rube Goldberg machine designs.



Josh making 3 D shapes out of straws and clay.

Here's a snapshot of what we've been doing in school.....



Update from FHIS

Second Hand uniform

Please drop off any unwanted second hand uniform/PE kit in the final week of term. Please

place bagged uniform in the black bins on the wooden decked area at the top of the stone steps outside the office entrance from Monday afternoon onwards.

If you are interested in purchasing some second hand uniform, please email FHIS directly FHISuniform@gmail.com.

See attached the best bids flyer for information. We've received a few bids already. It would be great to generate as much money as possible for the new outside play equipment. There's a bargain to be had. Bids must be received by 5pm on Friday 10th July. More details on the attached flyer.

Finally, all that is left to say is have a great summer.

Thanks

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NOTICE BOARD ITEMS

We have a School Meals Supervisory Assistant vacancy advertised on the Eteach website. If this is of interest and you would like more information, please contact the school office.

French Club - holiday club information

w/c 20th July - les animaux à la maison - all about pets (bring you pet or cuddly teddy bear to French club)

w/c 27th July - travelling to and sightseeing in Paris

w/c 24 August - J'ai du Talent - Music - instruments and types and ending with a musical talent show.

Each morning we'll have a 45 minute French club and I will send an email with activity sheets for each day and recipe suggestions. I will post a craft kit to each child to do in that week as well. The cost is £25. Depending on numbers, I will split the groups per age group. At Easter, I

had preschool/reception; years 1 & 2; KS2 - allowing for siblings to be in the same group if they preferred.

Bookings are now open for this so please do let me know if you'd be interested and of course do spread the word to your friends far and wide - I love that we have children from all over Great Britain and beyond in our zoom clubs!

If you would like to register your interest for the term time French club or our summer holiday clubs, please do email me on ak@clubs4kids.com or telephone 07375306881. French club updates, photos and stories are on our facebook page www.facebook.com/clubs4kids