

Newsletter Term 6: July 2020

Our Christian value this term is: Respect



GOODBYE LEAVERS

It is that time of year when we must say goodbye to our Year 6 leavers.

We wish you the very best of luck in the next stage of your journey and beyond. We are incredibly proud of what you have achieved in your time at school and the persons you have grown to become.

We hope you keep in touch.





END OF TERM MESSAGE

As we approach the end of the summer term it is impossible to ignore the challenges imposed on the nation over the last 3 months and the impact it has had on our school life. We would like to focus on the positives - not only the pride we feel towards the children and how they have stood up to the challenges faced during this unprecedented time but also the unity it has created in our community supporting one another - between the staff, the parents, the pupils and the whole village.

From all the staff we hope you have a wonderful and very well earned summer break!

INSET DAYS

Please note that INSET days for the next academic year are:

1st September, 23rd October, 4th January, 22nd February and 21st July

LUNCHES

Caterlink are providing menus for Autumn term and we will circulate these as soon as we receive them. We do not yet know what hot lunches will look like for September but it would be helpful if you could return your menu choices before Friday 17th July.

BIRTHDAYS



Happy Birthday to Nate, Eliza, Hugo, Rory, Emmy, Blake, Sophie, Kody, Josh, Albert, Ruby, Eloise, Sophie and Esther who will be celebrating their birthdays in July and August.

STAFFING UPDATE

As well as saying goodbye to our year 6's soon we will also being saying farewell to Mrs Whittenbury who has been with the school for nearly two years and is leaving for ventures new and a house move in the near future. We would like to thank her for everything she has done for the school and send our best wishes for the future. We are delighted to welcome Mrs Rebecca Baker to the team to teach the Kingfisher class in the mornings. She is a creative and experienced teacher who is looking forward to meeting all of the children. Mrs Hayes who has been a part time TA in KS2 this year has also secured a new job but we are very pleased that Mrs Emmerson who has been doing the other days has agreed to join us full time.

Mrs Gray will also be working full-time next year in Wren class. Miss Law will be working throughout the school as a HLTA and will continue to operate the after school club.

We obviously do not yet know what September will bring or how we will need to operate bubbles so more specific information about the timetables and staffing will be shared for the beginning of the new year when all guidelines are known.

If you would like to make a contribution to a leaving gift for Mrs Whittenbury or Mrs Hayes then please contact Mrs Royds. We are very excited for the year ahead.

NCSA



We would like to say a huge Thank You to the NCSA for their continued support and funding contributions during the academic year. Without it WOW trips and school events would not be able to take place. The NCSA have funded EYFS play equipment, chairs for kingfishers, new guided reading groups and some exciting new teaching resources we are looking forward to using in September.

OUR SCHOOL VALUES

The children have been learning our school values this year and experienced them through some magical events and produced some beautiful work.











HOME LEARNING

We continue to see marvellous work from those continue to home learning! Keep up the good work, we are so incredibly proud of you all!





SCHOOL LEARNING

We have welcomed back lots more pupils into school since 1^{st} June who have been doing some wonderful work and making the most of the sunshine!



STAYING SAFE ONLINE

Support for parents and carers to keep children safe online. Updated to include new apps that help keep children safe online and links to them:

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<u>https://www.bbc.com/ownit</u> Lots of information on this for children to keep their online lives safe. Free smartphone app with a special keyboard which when used by the child gives suggestions and helpful advice.

🐈 SafeToNet

Safe to net app for parents to support and safeguard children from online risks of cyberbullying and sexting, but also respects children's rights to privacy. Safe to Net foundation providing UK families 1 million free licences during the Coronavirus Pandemic.

SCHOOL BEAT ASSEMBLIES

Leah Wood from Gloucestershire Constabulary will be resuming School Beat Assemblies on Thursday 2nd July. She will see each bubble in turn on the playground and discuss being safe over the summer with age appropriate content. Year 6 will be discussing transitioning up to secondary school.

