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HEAD TEACHER'S

HIGHLIGHTS

Dear parents,

Another settled week for school, children are working hard and staff are pleased with how well they are responding to new routines etc. I saw some super letter writing in Bubble 2 when I was in this week. That can be a difficult skill to get going again so that was pleasing to see. I know that Bubble 1 have been focusing on their Phase 3 sounds and they are improving so that is great.

You may be aware that the Government have issued new guidance on the full opening of schools in September. We shall be thinking it through and I will let you know next week how it will work in our particular setting. Reassuringly there is an expectation that all children will be able to return to school in September.

Well done to all Year 2 parents for their video clips etc this week, I think it may have kept some parents quite busy. Mrs Whitefoot will do some magic on them and we shall look forward to seeing the end result. Apparently, we need to look out for Mrs Richardson and her aeroplane –always interesting!

We had a Full Governors (virtual) Meeting on Tuesday this week. Our Governors are extremely supportive of school and have continued with their roles through these changeable times. They are always keen to offer their advice and give consideration to all aspects of school life which is so valuable. I very much appreciate the time and effort that they put into their roles so many thanks to them for this year.

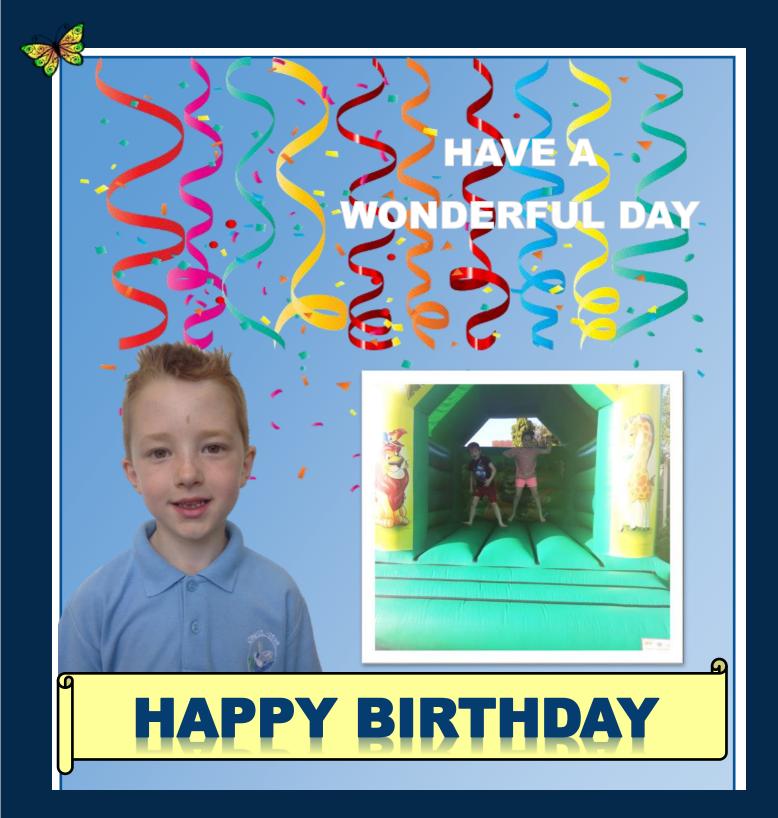
Best wishes

Jenny Griffiths

END OF SUMMER TERM SCHOOL CLOSURE DATES

Reception and Year 1 - Last Day of Term Wednesday 15th July 2020

Year 2 - In school Thursday 16th July and Friday 17th July 2020



SCHOOL STARTING TIMES



CLASS 1

We have looked at the phase 3 tricky words spellings this week. We used games, flashcards and phoneme spotter stories. In maths we have looked at number bonds finding all the different combinations. Have you enjoyed working on weird and wonderful birds? We found out about an extraordinary bird called a cassowary. We were quite scared of it. We are looking forward to our reptiles research next week.

Remember: Monday is the day to change your reading books in school. Have a lovely weekend

ČLASS 2

Just to keep you posted!

Hello Class 2! It has been a busy week trying to find out what the THING in the sink is. We have been searching all

the dark and damp places around the school to find mini beasts to see if they can give us a clue. We know that the THING has one eye and leaves big wet, dirty footprint shapes wherever he has been! We've also explored food chains and used the vocabulary carnivore, herbivore, omnivore and detritivore.

I look forward to seeing your 'Weird and Wonderful insects' next week.

<u>Reminder</u> Two reading books will come home on a Monday and can be returned the following Monday. We will not be sending Reading Records home so if you have any concerns then please speak to us. Thank you and have a lovely weekend!

SCHOOL CALENDAR DATES

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Congratulations to all the children today that have worked very hard to achieve a bronze award.

Well done everyone!

Remember for every 1000 points earned in a week you achieve a bronze certificate.

Silver is it achieved after 5 bronze certificates

Gold is after you have achieved 4 silver certificates (20 weeks of sustained effort).



BUBBLE 1

We enjoyed practising our phonics outside and then using the sounds in our writing.



We worked on our number bonds to 5 and made a weird and wonderful birds.



BUBBLE 2 We made predictions in our writing and in science we sorted animals into groups by

what they eat.







Bubble 2 went on a bug hunt and found lots of minibeasts.











You have been learning about magnets, homophones, weird and wonderful birds, doing science investigations and creating some marvellous art projects.



HOME LEARNING LINKS

Many online platforms have offered schools and parents free resources to support your child with their education whilst they are at home. Please take a look at the links below.

www.thepehub.co.uk

https://www.tts-group.co.uk/home+learning+activities.html https://classroomsecrets.co.uk/free-home-learninghttps://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/year-1/ https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/year-2/ www.bbc.co.uk/teach/supermovers https//scratch.mit.edu/explore/projects/games www.spellingshed.com/en-gb https://teach your monster to read www.phonicsplay.co.uk Username is <u>march20</u> Password is <u>home</u> https://naturedetectives.woodlandtrust.org.uk/naturedetectives/

https://www.discoveryeducation.co.uk (see diaries for PW)

LINKS FROM PARENT FEEDBACK RECEIVED

dkfindout.com <u>click here</u> for link LetsGoLive <u>click here</u> for link national oak academy (weekly spelling tests) <u>click here</u> for link Steve Backshall Q&A on a Wednesday morning at 9.30 on Facebook Nick Cope on a Thursday afternoon on Facebook (he writes and sings children songs). oxford owl site for the free ebooks <u>click here</u> for link Purplemash <u>click here</u> for link

New daily lessons!

Every day the BBC add three new lessons for each year group.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT INFORMATION

Information for parents and carers about the closure of schools following the outbreak of coronavirus (COVID-19). This link was last updated May 11th. Please check for updates which this week include resources for online learning and links to the curriculum.

Click here to be directed to the gov.uk website.

www.twinkl.co.uk www.snappymaths.com www.ictgames.com

www.topmarks.co.uk

www.mathshed.com

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize

www.natgeokids.com/uk/

www.primaryresources.co.uk

Numberblocks or Alphablocks

Mathletics (see diaries for PW)

WHAT HAVE WE BEEN DOING?

NEWS WEEK 5 VIDEO

We hope you again enjoyed watching last week's video? We have completed the week 5 video now and this can be viewed by clicking here. Please continue to send any photos that you would like including into the newsletter or the Home/School link video project to Mrs Whitefoot here. We shall share this with children in school next week but please also enjoy with your children at home too.

Thank you!

IMPORTANT GOVERNMENT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Government guidance and information for parents on the opening of schools during the Coronavirus outbreak.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educationalsettings-information-for-parents-and-carers



Thank you to the parents that have e-mailed us with the sites and apps that they have been finding useful since the lockdown.

The feedback so far on the **TOP FIVE** used sites and apps are;

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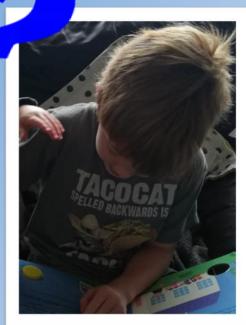
click to login (passwords in your child's school diary)

National Oak Academy (weekly spellings) click to login

Parents have also been supporting children to access Mathletics. (Passwords in their school reading dairy).

DESS WHO Look who was the mystery child hiding under their hat?





Who could this be?

Close up pic game

We have chosen one picture from the newsletter and zoomed into a part of it. Can you guess which picture it is? We shall reveal next week.



Did you guess last week's close up in picture?





Thank you to everyone that has contributed to this week's newsletter by sending in a photo. We appreciate you sharing the work your children are doing. If you need to contact the office please e-mail <u>a2033@taw.org.uk</u>