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Gateway Gossip

Happy Friday all,

We now arrive at the end of Week 4 of the new term and what a whirlwind it has been! So many new things to quickly get to grips with and none of it straightforward or easy. I recognise how hard it has been for families at home having to juggle home needs, own medical issues, stresses brought about by accessing live lessons and new systems to learn, as well as worrying about your children and their well being along with your own.

I would just like to thank you all for your tolerance of everything as we have done our best to navigate the changes as a school. We really do have a resilient community and I feel proud of the journey we have all taken in record time. So grateful! Thanks to parents, children and staff for the Gateway Team approach that has allowed for so much to happen. As we turn to the next two weeks before half term, we need to adapt to allow for the intensity and have new plans taking into account parental feedback. This will include days with reduced and no screen time as well as Feel Good Friday where activities will be given that allow for greater wellbeing for you all and as a family.

Next week we hope the voucher scheme will be up and running and we aim for Wednesday for the first collection but we will provide more information and exact collection times to enable clear social distancing. These collections will allow for any returned work packs to be brought in too. Please wait to hear from us next week. Mr Kenny and Mrs Hardy will be managing distribution and will contact families with the details.

In addition, next week in the afternoons we will be slotting in some times for Parental Consultation discussions. I know we have been in contact a lot recently and you may feel happy with your child's academic progress, having seen much more of it recently, but we realise that you may have technical difficulties or other issues that are worrying you. Please use the session to talk to teachers about how else we can help whatever that may be. We are here to help and want to help more to the point so please let us know what we can do.

Finally next week sees the introduction of Children's Mental Health Week and this couldn't be a more timely initiative to fall right now. More details can be found here: https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk however lots of activities through lessons next week both at home and at school will be planned in. I hope this helps both children and parents somewhat as we continue through these unusual times.

Wishing all our community and staff a wonderful well earned weekend when it arrives. You have all been amazing and I look forward to the days when we see everyone again. Hopefully not too long now!

Best wishes to you all Mrs Robinson



Achievements this Week





Star Award

NN - Maggie-May Reception - Richard Year 1- Sebastian Year 2 - Ruben

3B- Ashton

3G-Sadie Year 4 - Maisy

Year 5- Matteo

Year 6 - Dalton

Core Award

NN- Joshua Reception - Melodii Year 2 - Awa

3B- Jaxon

3G- Izobella

Year 4 - Freddie

Year 5 - Christian Year 6 - Lexi-May

Learning from home

NN- Nazira

RB- Oliwia and James RG- Fynley and Harley

Year 1 - Devon

Year 2- Dexter and Abbie

3B - Vincent

3G - Maisey 5B - Maisie and Rydham

5G - Skye-Rose and Charlie

6B - Fabian and Teairra

6G - Darcy and Mariam









Staff Shoutout!

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Mrs Hardy for your Remote Learning lead work behind the scenes this week!



EYFS - Teddie <u>KS1-</u> Bailey <u>KS2-</u> Maisy

Thank you!

Headteacher award

Time to shine!

Mr Sidonio for balancing lots of plates and always doing it with a smile!

Mrs Orr for working non-stop throughout this lockdown

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