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21st April 2021

Dear Parents,

Firstly, we hope you and your child(ren) have all managed to have a good Easter holiday, have managed to catch up with friends and family in-line with current rules and are ready for the summer term.

We have been busy over the Easter period planning our Quest for Classes 5 and 6 linked to the whole school Quest 'Time Flies By!'. We have planned a variety of learning experiences (in-line with current guidelines) which are categorised on the attached Quest coverage leaflet. While most of the sessions will be as year groups, some of the sessions may be team taught. The core subjects of English and Maths will be taught, as usual, in year groups as will subjects such as PE, PSHCE, RE (locally agreed syllabus) and music.

The weather has become significantly better in recent days and we are aiming to maximise outdoor learning opportunities. However, when we are inside Covid-19 guidelines will still apply, therefore, to keep your child safe, windows and doors will remain open, hand sanitizer will be used and children will remain seated in rows. We would also ask if you would supply your child with tissues as the Government are clear about the rules associated with respiratory hygiene 'Catch it, Bin it, Kill it'.

We politely request that school uniform is adhered to. Following the parent mail at the end of last term, we request that your child has a full PE kit in school this term. This must include: their house coloured t-shirt, shorts, a change of socks and a pair of trainers.

If your child has to self-isolate due to Covid-19 then please contact school immediately and then refer to the documentation on the class pages of our school website for home learning instructions.

Homework

Class 5 and 6's homework will continue as before:

- Regular reading (4 times per week to an adult who can ask searching questions. Please don't forget to sign your child's reading record).
- Weekly spellings (Set on Monday via Google Classroom to be reviewed in school on a Friday).
- An activity on MyMaths (set on a Thursday for the following Tuesday - giving lots of time for children to ask for help or use the school computers if needed). Please note that the children are now able to save their MyMaths homework so they now have even more opportunity to get organised and complete it.

Please would you help make sure that the children bring their reading book and reading record folders to school every day and have their full PE kit (**named please**) in school all week. If your child has recently had their ears pierced they must wear only studs to school and be able to take them out for PE. If this is not possible, please supply them with surgical tape.

We will continue to have Forest School with Mr Wedderkopp on a Wednesday morning on the following dates:
Year 6 - Wednesday 19th May **Year 5 - Wednesday 26th May**

Please send your child to school wearing appropriate outdoor and waterproof clothing and send their school uniform (in a separate bag) to wear during the afternoon.



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Unfortunately, we still can't meet face-to-face unless it is urgent. If it is urgent, then an appointment can be made via the school office email. It has been decided that the class email accounts that were introduced during lockdown will stay as a method of communication. If it is non-urgent, please use this method of communicating with us. We will endeavour to respond to any emails within 2 working days. The intended purpose of these accounts is to maintain our parent/teacher relationship and level of learning support for the best interests of your child. We thank you in advance for using these accounts appropriately for learning related queries. If you need to communicate with our SENCO, Mrs Kate Lewis, then please use the SEN email below.

Class 5: class5.sch233@educ.somerset.gov.uk

Class 6: class6.sch233@educ.somerset.gov.uk

SEN: sen.sch233@educ.somerset.gov.uk

We will also have an opportunity to discuss your child's learning via our termly parents evening phone call. These will be taking place during the fortnight of Tuesday 4th May to Thursday 13th May, 2021. More information has been sent from the school office via parent mail.

Furthermore, as a part of your child's education here at Milverton, we promote personal wellbeing and development through a comprehensive Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE) education programme. PSHE education is the curriculum subject that gives children the knowledge, understanding, attitudes and practical skills to live safe, healthy, productive lives and meet their full potential.

We therefore want to let you know that, over the next weeks, starting the week beginning 17th May, 2021, your child's class will be taking part in lessons which will focus on the relationships and sex education (RSE) aspect of this programme. You have already been asked for your consent in the annual consent forms. If anything has changed, please do let us know. Curriculum content can be found on our school website by using the link <https://www.milvertonprimary.co.uk/about-us/policies>. Pupils will also have opportunities to ask questions here at school and we will also encourage your child to talk to you at home. All PSHE teaching will take place in a safe learning environment and is underpinned by our school ethos and values.

As we hope you are aware, we have been working hard during this tricky time to provide opportunities to extend your child's learning. We have adhered to the Government Covid 19 guidelines and are now in a position to begin to plan for further, wider learning opportunities in line with the Government's 'road map' and the county council's recommendations. We are also acutely aware that the children feel that they have missed out on a variety of experiences here at school due to this unprecedented global pandemic. We would like to inform you that, if the current 'road map' goes to plan, then we have booked a variety experiences for the children in Classes 5 and 6 in the last week of term. This will not be the annual traditional residential but days out at Kilve Court experiencing a variety of outdoor and adventurous activities. Year 6 will be offered two days (8 activities) and Year 5 one day (4 activities). More information on this will follow shortly.

Class 6 will also have 'transition' activities preparing them for the move to secondary school. They will also have the opportunity to take part in an end of year performance, leavers' assembly and leavers' party. Again, more information will follow in due course about all of these events.

Many thanks for your on-going support. We are looking forward to a fantastic term.

Best wishes,

Miss Brown and Mr Coupe



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