



Return after break

2nd November 2020

We hope that you all had a restful break. It is lovely to see the children back in school.

We in school are working very hard during the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic to ensure that

1. Everybody is safe
2. School is able to stay open
3. Children are learning
 - ⇒ For this to happen we need your help, we are continuing the staggered entry into school with gates opening at 8:30am and children being able to enter their classrooms straight away, also the afternoon exit will be from 2:50pm for Nursery and Reception, 3pm for Key Stage 1 and Key stage 2. **We have staggered the time available to reduce the number of people coming into contact with each other.**
 - ⇒ Please wear face masks when dropping and picking up children from school. This is particularly important if queues develop.

Class Dojo

The system is now up and running. This is for class stories, your child's awards and any small messages that you would normally say at the door. All staff can see every class. If you have something more private please email your child's class teacher.

Parents Meetings

These will be arranged in the coming weeks for you to have a conversation with your child's class teacher. The dates and times will be shared with you. The meetings will be via a phone call and a designated time.



PTA Fancy Dress Friday

As the PTA could not hold a Halloween Disco we have organized a Fancy Dress Friday for 6th November for a donation of £2 for the PTA this will be set up on Eduspot to pay.

Bonfire Menu

On Friday 6th November we are also having a special Bonfire menu this is now on the website and posters are around school.

ACTION CALENDAR: NEW WAYS NOVEMBER 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1. Make a list of new things you want to do this month.	2. Respond to a difficult situation in a different way.	3. Get outside and observe the changes in nature around you.	4. Sign up to join a new course, activity or online community.	5. Change your normal routine today and notice how you feel.	6. Give yourself a boost! Try a new way of being physically active.	7. Be creative. Cook, draw, write, paint, make or inspire.
8. Find out something new about someone you care about.	9. Plan a new activity or idea you want to try out this week.	10. When you feel you can't do something, add the word "yet".	11. Be curious. Learn about a new topic or an inspiring idea.	12. Overcome a frustration by trying out a new approach.	13. Choose a different route and see what you notice on the way.	14. Find a new way to help or support a cause you care about.
15. Go outside and do something playful - walk, run, explore, relax.	16. Look at life through someone else's eyes and see their perspective.	17. Try a new way to practice self-care and be kind to yourself.	18. Connect with someone from a different generation.	19. Broaden your perspective: read a different paper, magazine or site.	20. Make a meal using a recipe or ingredients you've not tried before.	21. Learn a new skill from a friend or share one of yours with them.
22. Find a new way to tell someone you appreciate them.	23. Set aside a regular time to pursue an activity you love.	24. Share with a friend something helpful you learned recently.	25. Use one of your strengths in a new or creative way.	26. Tune in to a different radio station or TV channel.	27. Enjoy new music today. Play, sing, dance or listen.	28. Join a friend doing their hobby and find out why they love it.
29. Discover your artistic side. Design your own Christmas cards!	30. Look for reasons to be hopeful, even in difficult times.	"You never know what you can do until you try" ~ C. S. Lewis		www.actionforhappiness.org		

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