

Snapshots of the Week

Week: 08 March to 12 March 2021



This week...

What an amazing first week back! It has been so lovely to have everybody together, learning again. The excitement and enthusiasm coming from each classroom this week has been infectious. We are super proud of every single learner and how they have approached the return to school- their resilience is second to none. I also want to say a massive thank you to all our families and all you have done this week to support the smooth transition back. It has been great to see all of you as well. Despite the incredible week, I know we have many who are feeling a little tired as we approach the weekend, so I want to wish you a restful and well-deserved weekend and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Reception

Reception really have hit the ground running this week. We were delighted to see the children settle back into classroom life as if they had never been away. Well done everybody for a fantastic week back. We are so excited for the coming weeks!



Year 1

We are so impressed with how our Year 1 learners have quickly settled back into school. They have had a fun week of being back with their friends; we have made some rainbow clouds; positivity portraits and the children have thoroughly enjoyed our fitness lessons each day. Well done Year 1 for all of your hard work this week.

Year 2

Year 2 are off to a super start. They have all settled back into the routine of things and have approached their learning with great enthusiasm. We have shared some lovely experiences to bring them all together and remind them they are part of a community again; we have had big smiles over sweetie rainbows, fizzy drink and mint explosions and of course dancing to our favourite tunes!

Year 3

This week in Year 3 we have been talking lots about friendship. We decided as a class what makes somebody a good friend. The children thought of many of great ideas and were then able to use them to create a friendship balloon. Each class hung up their balloons in their classroom to remind each other what we believe a good friend is. As well as thinking about reconnecting with our friends, we have been revisiting some of the skills that were learnt while they were learning at home. We have been really impressed with their knowledge and enthusiasm towards their work. Well done, Year 3! We are very proud of you all.



Reminders for the next week...

PE Day

Please remember on your child's set PE day to send them in wearing their PE Kit.

Reception – Tuesday and Wednesday

Year 1 – Monday and Tuesday

Year 2 – Thursday and Friday

Year 3 – Wednesday and Thursday

Year 4 – Monday and Tuesday

Red Nose Day – Friday 19 March

Children are invited to come to school dressed as a superhero for a small donation.

Face Masks and Social Distancing

Please maintain social distancing and wearing face masks whilst on site, this is to ensure we keep all our families safe. Polite reminder for children to be with you at all times and not far ahead at drop off or pick up.

March 2021						
M	Tu	W	Th	F	S	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	4

Last Day of Term 1.15pm or 3pm Pick Up
Good Friday

Designated Safeguarding Leads

Rebecca Wood

Designated Safeguarding Lead

Lisa Thompson-Purvis

Designated Safeguarding Lead

Fiona Lord

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Louise Graves

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Year 4

We are so pleased with how well the Year 4 children have settled back into school life. They have come back enthusiastic and motivated for their learning and have enjoyed reconnecting with their friends. We have been looking at the learning that the children completed in the autumn term plus recapping the knowledge they have learnt whilst at home. Our days are packed full of activities to help us reconnect as a class, we look forward to what the next few weeks will bring.

News from the School Standards Board

The governors have been as busy as ever lately making sure that we fulfil all our responsibilities effectively even though we are operating remotely. We may not have been able to visit school premises in person but we have adapted our ways of working and made sure we have kept in very close contact with Mrs Wood and the rest of the school staff. We have been so impressed to hear about all of the wonderful things that are happening at our school despite the ever-changing guidelines and extremely challenging circumstances and we are so proud to be part of a community that has pulled together like never before over the last few months. We are proud of our pupils for their resilience and adaptability transitioning between remote learning and face to face lessons for a second time and we are so thankful to our teaching and support staff for their wonderful efforts in creating online resources and delivering live sessions, our ICT team for keeping us all connected and providing tech advice, our estates team for looking after our school and keeping us safe and of course to you, our families for all your feedback and support for our school during these challenging times.

There are currently a number of vacancies within the governing body and very soon, we will be asking for applications for the role of Parent Governor. Governors do not necessarily need to be experts in the field of education. What they do need is a desire to support our school and also the time and willingness to contribute to ensuring the very highest quality of education for our children. Governors are not involved with the day to day running of the school but are responsible for building a thorough knowledge of the school and its community, by both supporting and constructively challenging the school, and by ensuring accountability and compliance. We are currently seeking governors with experience of strategic planning and problem solving and if you feel you have the time and skills, please do consider applying when the time comes.

Caroline Amey
Chair of Governors

Equipment Donation

Due to the inability to share equipment we have provided pupils with equipment and we will continue to do so. However, this has come at a significant and non-claimable cost to the school. Going forward we will need to charge you for any replacements to your child's equipment (KS2 only). This will be at cost – we will not make any profit.

Pupils will continue to keep all equipment in school to reduce the number of items coming to and from school.

We would like to kindly ask for a donation of £10 to cover the cost of additional equipment. We have put a charge on ParentPay should you be willing to support us. As you are aware, we rarely ask for financial donations but this will really help us moving forward.

Chickens

We are pleased to let you all know we have named our chickens, thank you to everyone who sent in their ideas. There were some fantastic names and ones that did make us giggle!



Henrietta



Princess Lay-a



Noodle