

Class 2 letter to parents - returning to school on June 1st.

Dear parents/carers,

Firstly, thank you for your continued support with home learning. I have really enjoyed seeing what your children have been getting up to at home and the fantastic home learning that they have been completing. I am sure both you and your child/ren are very much looking forward to a well-deserved half term break.

I look forward to hopefully welcoming some of the Year 1 children back into school on June 1^{st} and settling them into a 'new normal' routine. During these uncertain and ever-changing times, I hope we can work together to provide a safe and smooth transition back into school life for them.

Over the half term break, it would be helpful for you to chat with your child about what school will 'look like' when they return. We aim to keep the school day fairly structured, a lot more so in mornings with a focus on key skills. The classroom will have changed from what they remember, with many toys and soft furnishings being removed and they will have a named tray containing a set of resources (pencil, rubber, whiteboard and pen etc.). They will not need to bring any personal stationery in. It is also important that you discuss personal hygiene with your child, this way they will come into school aware of the expectation and know to maintain this.

As Mrs Ryder outlined in her letter, you will not be able to accompany your child into school so please talk to them about saying 'happy goodbyes' at the drop off point. I am sure you will appreciate that we have to adhere to social distancing

measures and therefore are unable to come into close contact to encourage a child from you. This may result in you having to take children home.

As the weather is now getting warmer and we are being blessed with gorgeous sunshine most days, we aim to spend a lot of time outside! Children must bring in a clearly named water bottle every day as well as PE kit/forest school clothing for the week. They should also bring a sunhat and have suncream applied before they arrive at school as we will not be able to apply this for them. If the weather does change, children should bring in a coat.

Unfortunately, at this time, children should not bring in any personal belongings such as toys/soft furnishings. This will include show and tell items. Reading books will also stay at school but children will have plenty of opportunities to read throughout the week.

Home learning for the rest of the Class 2 children - It is with sadness that I won't be seeing the rest of your smiley faces on the 1^{st} June! Please carry on with your fantastic home learning, I am super proud of you all and be good for your parents/carers! I will of course still upload weekly learning activities for you to support your child at home. It seems a lot of you have settled into a great routine by now. As always, please only do what you can manage and get in touch with any questions. I will endeavour to respond to you when I can.

Have a fantastic half term everybody!

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