

# NEWSLETTER 12 17.03.21

## ACHIEVING TOGETHER

### **Dear Parents & Carers**

Firstly, I wanted to thank you all for your support over the last couple of months. It has been incredibly challenging for all in navigating remote learning as well as for those who have been in school without all of their friends.

It has been so lovely to see all the children back in school and to listen to them playing and chatting with each other. I don't think we've ever been quite so keen to cross off the days and weeks and with the hours of daylight starting to get longer, it really feels like Spring is on the way.

### **World Book Day – Message from Mrs Pharoah**

A massive thank you to everyone who took part in the World Book Day class stories and dressed up. There were some amazing costumes again! Also, I would like to say how amazed I was at the work you all did on the activities set for this year's celebrations. You should all be very proud of yourselves – well done! Let's hope next year's World Book Day is celebrated back in the classrooms.

### **Head Lice**

We have had some reports of head lice. Please check your child's hair carefully and treat if eggs or lice are found. Even after treatment, regular combing and checking is needed to prevent the return of lice and eggs. Treatments can be purchased from your pharmacy and more details are available at: [www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice-and-nits)

### **SATs**

The government announced last year that all statutory testing will not take place during this academic year. This covers both KS1 (year 2), KS2 (year 6) SATs, year 1 phonics screening check and multiplication check in year 4.

### **Red Nose Day – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March**

This year we will be doing 'Crazy Hair Day' for donations on the gate of £1 – we are looking forward to seeing what your designs will be.

### Covid Reminder

Please remember to keep to the social distancing measures of 2 metres during drop off & pick up. Once you have dropped off at school, please leave the site straight away & avoid chatting with each other – this is in line with requirements of the Local Authority & will also help alleviate the parking issues at all three sites. People should not be in each others houses (unless a childcare bubble has been formed) & wherever possible, the same people should collect & drop off.

### Videos/Gaming

We are finding an increasing amount of children talking about the games they are playing. Please be aware that many of these games are inappropriate and not suitable for children who are in primary school. The age limit for games varies, but Fortnite is 12, Minecraft is 7 and Call of Duty is 18.

### **Age Restrictions On Social Media**

<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b>
Twitter Facebook Instagram Pinterest Google+ Tumblr Reddit Snapchat	LinkedIn	WhatsApp	Vine Tinder	Path	(13 with parents consent) YouTube Keek Foursquare WeChat Kik Flickr

### Term Dates for this Year 2020/21

Fri 26 Mar	Last Day of Term
Mon 29 Mar – Fri 9 Apr	Easter Holiday
Mon 12 Apr	Children Back to School
Mon 3 May	Bank Holiday
Fri 28 May	Last Day of Half Term
Mon 31 May – Fri 4 Jun	Half Term Holiday
Mon 7 Jun	Children Back to School
Wed 21 Jul	Last Day of Term

## **Farewell**

This term we have said farewell to MrsThorndyke who has taken the decision to retire after being our MSA for 31 years! We were able to do a socially distanced goodbye on the playground and present her with various gifts. She will be very much missed by all in our school community and we wish her well for the future and hope she can enjoy all the trips she has planned.



## **Birth Announcement**

We are happy to announce that Miss Everson, a TA from St. Andrew's, gave birth to a baby boy; Albie, on 24<sup>th</sup> February weighing in at 8lbs. Both mother and baby are doing well.

## **Families in Hardship and Needing Wider Support Including Technical Support**

There is support available for families who are facing hardship and need support. Details of how you can access support are available at:

<http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/covidwintersupport> or by calling 0344 800 8020

Anyone experiencing hardship – and this includes gaining access to laptops – can also receive support through the Norfolk Assistance Scheme. The easiest way to get in touch is to visit

[www.norfolk.gov.uk/NAS](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/NAS) or by calling 01603 223392 (option 5). If the line is busy, a message can be left and a member of the team will call you back.

### **Free School Meals**

If your circumstances have changed, you may be eligible for Free School Meals (this is different from the universal free school meals to which all children in years R, 1 & 2 are entitled). You can check if you're eligible by using this link: <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/school-meals-and-milk> or contact the school office for a paper copy.

### **Parents Evenings**

Due to the ongoing situation this year, we will continue with our approach for parents' evenings to take place as a Teams meeting online or as a phone call. Meetings will take place as follows:

#### All Saints

Mrs Pharoah: Tues 20<sup>th</sup> April & Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> April – both between 4pm & 6pm  
Mr Doherty: Mon 19<sup>th</sup> April & Tues 20<sup>th</sup> April – both between 4pm & 6pm  
Mrs Summerhayes: Weds 21<sup>st</sup> April & Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> April – both between 4pm & 6pm

#### Hapton

Mrs Sexton: Weds 21<sup>st</sup> April between 3.30pm & 6.30pm  
Mr Martell: Mon 19<sup>th</sup> April between 3.30pm & 6.30pm

#### St. Andrew's

Miss Chubb: Mon 19<sup>th</sup> April, Tues 20<sup>th</sup> April & Weds 21<sup>st</sup> April between 4pm & 6pm  
Mrs Shaw: Mon 19<sup>th</sup> April & Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> April both between 4pm & 6pm  
Mrs Woolner: Mon 19<sup>th</sup> April & Tues 20<sup>th</sup> April both between 4pm & 6pm

### **AWARDS**

<i>Good Work – Honeybees:</i>	Amelia
<i>Good Citizen – Honeybees:</i>	Willow
<i>Good Work – Pandas:</i>	Jack
<i>Good Citizen – Pandas:</i>	Harley Dr.
<i>Good Work – Dolphins:</i>	Hollie
<i>Good Citizen – Dolphins:</i>	Evie