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1 Peter 4:10*

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

### **Re: School Reopening Updates and News**

Having welcomed our Year 6 pupils back to school this week, together with the children of key workers, we are now excited to open the doors for our Year 1 pupils on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June.

Please don't forget the following items:

- Put on sun cream before coming to school
- Soap and emollient for hands if child suffering from sore hands due to frequency of washing
- Flexible uniform as they require clean clothes every day
- Robust outdoor shoes (trainers are acceptable)
- Packed lunch and water bottle
- Sun hat
- Your child should not attend a child minding service. In order to minimise contact between groups of children and staff, children should attend just one setting wherever possible.

Reception class children will join us on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June. If you haven't informed us of your decision to send your child to school, please ensure that you do this without delay as we have limited space. Our first priority is for the children of key workers and vulnerable children.

We are not forgetting our children who will remain at home. Despite some of our teachers being in the classroom this week, they have continued to provide home learning work for their classes. Now that the government have made it clear that all primary aged children will not be able to return to school before the end of the summer term, I feel it is important that we reach out to them as much as we can. We would like to begin by arranging for your child to speak to their class teacher via telephone conversation or with 4 or 5 other children in an online Google Meet. Please complete the survey at this link so that we can begin to make the necessary arrangements for this to happen:

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=IOM\\_8mowLU-yDq7UATSAsY8H5qaSsppGpgWIDd3ryiiUMU9OSUNJNIFQUTBKRTZYWURaV1k2S0NGWS4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=IOM_8mowLU-yDq7UATSAsY8H5qaSsppGpgWIDd3ryiiUMU9OSUNJNIFQUTBKRTZYWURaV1k2S0NGWS4u)

### **September:**

In September, our Special Educational Needs Leader – Mrs Ketley – will be teaching Pine Class for three days per week and Mrs Easter will be teaching Pine Class for two days per week. Mrs Cooper will be working as the Y1/2 class teacher at our Federation partner school – Tacolneston CE VA Primary. She will also be sharing the role of Senior Teacher at Tacolneston with Mrs Diaper and will become part of the Federation Senior Leadership Team.

## Thank You:

We have been well served by our community this week. One of our parents, Mr Gould, kindly arranged for the pot holes in our staff carpark to be filled and his team of colleagues have done a fantastic job for us – no more twisted ankles as we scramble our way to our cars on dark winter evenings!

Our Chair of Governors, Mr Culyer, recognised our need at this time to help children who don't have access to computers at home. He applied for a grant of £2000 and was successful!

## Home Learning:

### Norfolk Library Service:

The Library Service will be running their usual summer reading challenge but everything will be done online. Go to this link to find out more: [June 2020 Resource Newsletter \(click link\)](#)

### School Summer Reading Challenge:

Please encourage your child to take part in the school Summer Reading Challenge, which can be found on their class page on the website and in the Google Classroom.

### Sounds of Summer:

The Norfolk Music Hub are running a music project in collaboration with Holt Hall. Children are invited to make a short film of their music making in the natural environment. Go to this link to find out more: <https://www.norfolkmusichub.org.uk/site/sounds-of-summer>

## Safeguarding and Wellbeing:

### Black Lives Matter

I am very proud to say that one of our children, Mia in Y2 at Tacolneston, attended the peaceful Black Lives Matter protest in Norwich on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June. She made a banner and composed her own words: ***Friends always matter. It does not matter what colour skin we have.*** We all have work to do to ensure that Mia's message is heard and understood.



### Just One Norfolk:

For children with additional needs, a new online service has gone live this week, developed by our health colleagues to support families waiting for specialist assessments. The Positive Behaviour Support (PBS) online course helps families to understand the messages their child is trying to communicate and offers some practical skills and strategies that can be used to help manage behaviours that challenge. The PBS video sessions, normally available through face to face workshops for families of children awaiting assessments by specialist teams, have been produced during the Covid-19 outbreak to offer support to all families. Parents can access any or all six video sessions at times convenient to them at <https://www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/pbs>.

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## Celebration Friday

Our children have completed some wonderful work this week. The teachers have nominated the following children for special mention:

- Mr Watson says: *These children are our Superstars this week: Congratulations to Martha, James and Nicole who have already completed their Summer Reading Challenge! Well done also to Elisa for working really hard at home with all her learning.*
- Mrs O'Dell says: *A huge thank you to all the children who were in school this week and who worked so hard to master all the new routines, social distancing rules etc. They have all been fantastic. A special thanks to Josh who rose to the challenge of reading an Anthony Browne story for KS1 and did it brilliantly and to everyone who hid all the dolls around the school. Again, it is so hard to pick out individuals - superb poetry from everyone this week - great work on Roman numerals - Oscar, Milly and Jamie had great systems, beautiful art work and glockenspeil playing - especially from Jacob! Aimee has been an absolute star showing really good skills on the computer. Some great work at home on the Google Classroom too - Bethan, Robin, Amy, Finlay B, and Finley T - to name a few.*
- Mr East says: *These children are Sycamore's stars this week: Immy - for a super play script and persuasive writing; Zac - for a super effort building his shaduf; Ben - for super efforts with his English this week; Charles - for super efforts with writing, Maths, and building his shaduf; Bella - for persevering with her shaduf and Fergus - for sharing his great writing and his time fishing!*
- Mrs Cooper and Mrs Easter say: *We have loved all the work we have seen on mini-beasts this week, the caterpillar sculptures, fact files and bug hunts are brilliant. Well done everyone!*
- Mr Clements says: *Once again I've seen some brilliant work from Rowan Class this week. Eva has worked super hard on her maths, Kayla did some excellent drawing and Francesca and Catherine have both been working hard on some different puzzles. Well done to everyone who has been keeping up the hard work!*

## Values Certificates

- **Milena - Perseverance:** For working incredibly well throughout a very difficult period for everyone, and finding the time to leave comments on other people's work. Thank you Milena!
- **Mya - Perseverance:** For working really well in school and persevering with her den building and other work. Well done Mya!
- **Charlie A – Courage:** For having the courage and enthusiasm to complete all his work on Google Classroom and respond positively to feedback.
- **Ella-Rose – Koinonia:** For showing the value of koinonia by sharing her experience of watching the SpaceX rocket launch and making a brilliant model rocket.
- **Charlie E – Perseverance:** For reaching the grade of prodigy on Read Theory with 4000 knowledge points.

- **All the children who returned to school this week – Friendship and Generosity:** For looking out for each other and supporting each other so well.
- **Iris – Perseverance:** For working very hard on her mini-beast fact file poster, thinking carefully about presentation, the key facts and a good use of pictures. Fantastic work Iris. Well done!
- **Molly – Creativity:** For demonstrating her creative gifts this week in her model caterpillar. It looks amazing Molly. Well done!
- **Bethany L, Freya, Elias and Jack B - Friendship:** For being really supportive of younger children whilst being back at school.



Some of our children have celebrated their birthdays this week. I'd like to say a big

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

to

**SAM & ANJA-FAITH!**

**And finally:**

Our School Prayer:

**Heavenly Father,**

**Remind us to use our gifts, to serve one another, as good stewards of your varied grace.**

**Amen**

Kind Regards

Laura Green  
Executive Head Teacher