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*As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace
1 Peter 4:10*

Friday 10th July 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

Re: School Reopening Updates and News

Last week, I provided a summary of the latest Government guidance for the September opening of our schools. If you wish to read the full government guidance you can find it at this link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools>

We have a COVID-19 risk assessment on our website and I will be updating this in line with the Norfolk Health & Safety Department's updated risk assessment template, which is due to be sent to head teachers on Monday 13th July. I will continue to work on our plans throughout the summer break and will ensure that you receive information at the end of August to inform you about school procedures for the autumn term.

In the meantime, I would like you to note the following practical issues for September:

- Children will be expected to wear school uniform
- They will be expected to come to school in PE kit on PE days
- They will require named welly boots (to remain in school at all times)
- They should have an art apron or old shirt (to remain in school at all times)
- Year 4 pupils will be swimming at some point in the autumn term so please ensure that they have swim suits (girls), swim trunks (not shorts – boys), hats and goggles (if required)
- All children will require a named water bottle
- Children should have a named lunch box if they are having packed lunches
- Children should have a book bag for reading books
- No other bags or items should be brought to school

If you have any questions about the new term, please send them to me and I will address these in my final newsletter next Friday.

Reminders:

- Year 6 children are to be collected from school at 12 midday on Monday 13th July. Please make sure you are on time as we have to clean the area prior to allowing access for the incoming group of children.
- Please remember that you should be maintaining a distance of 2m from other families when picking up and dropping off.

Important End of Term Dates:

The last day of term for Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 will be **Thursday 16th July**. The last day of term for children of key workers and vulnerable children will be **Tuesday 21st July**. Staff who are not covering the key workers and vulnerable children on the last two days of term, will be working on getting our schools ready for the full reopening in September.

Year 6 Leavers' afternoon – Thursday 16th July

We would like to invite all the Year 6 children to spend the afternoon with us at school.

We ask parents of Yr 6 pupils who are coming in for the afternoon to drop their child at 1.20pm. Once your child arrives, they should sit on the playground around the stage area and the Yr 6 pupils already in school will go from the hall to join them.

Reverend Colin will speak to the children after which there will be a disco and picnic on the field. Please can children bring their own picnic as unfortunately we are not allowed to share food.

The afternoon will finish for all the Yr 6 children at 3.45pm. Please can parents collect their child at this time.

Summer Holiday Provision:

Robert Kett Primary School will be running their Extra Time Holiday Club throughout the summer holiday. They are open from Wednesday 22nd July to Friday 4th September and parents can book via the link below, or by visiting the Robert Kett website and going to the Extra Time section.

<https://forms.gle/aybpaopjHReq9w7RA>

Return of School Books:

Please search your homes for all of the school reading books that your child has brought home. These will need to be returned to school now.

Home Learning:

Music in the Summer Holidays:

The Norfolk Music Hub are running workshops for children during the summer holidays. These will be virtual workshops and delivered via Zoom free to those who sign up. Details of the events can be found by logging on to <https://www.norfolkmusicclub.org.uk/site/summer-school-workshops/>

Norfolk Library Service:

Go to this link for the latest library news: [July 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.

Safeguarding and Wellbeing:

Where your child has symptoms, you should order a test immediately through www.nhs.uk/coronavirus or call 119 if you have no internet access.

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Celebration Friday

Our children have completed some wonderful work this week. Here is some of the fabulous artwork that the Invinci-Bubbles (Reception) have created this week:

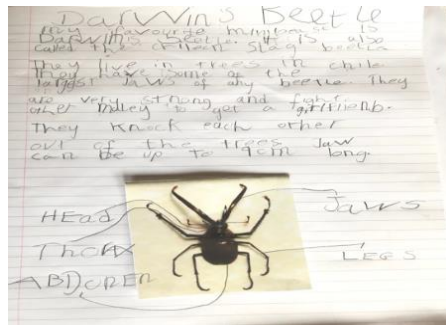


The teachers have nominated the following children for special mention:

- **Mrs Cooper and Mrs Easter say:** *we have enjoyed catching up with children either at school, through google meetings or over the phone in the past couple of weeks. It's been wonderful to hear your news and see what you've been up to (and how much you've grown!). We will be sorry when our minibeast topic ends as the work you have all produced has been amazing. Well done everyone!*
- **Mr Clements says:** *Well done once again to everyone who has been doing Home Learning in Rowan this week. The highlight of this week has been the amazing writing that I have been sent throughout the week. Well done in particular to Kayla for her colour festival story and Annabell for her animal story!*
- **Mr Watson says:** *Well done to James, Martha, Charlie and Polly for working really hard this week and as part of our English work James also made a fantastic 'Quangle Wangle' hat! A big well done to all of the new Year 2 children who came in this week to spend the afternoon with Mr Watson. You did some brilliant drama and some wonderful Jack and the Beanstalk pictures!*
- **Mrs O'Dell says:** *In school fabulous perseverance this week as the children were set the challenge of making a working trebuchet out of pencils and elastic bands - it was a lot harder than it looked. Oscar, Jamie, Josh, Fin B, Fin S and Abi all succeeded and in the final competition Fin B's machine was victorious - shooting a plasticine ball the furthest, closely followed by Oscar's. Abi's machine - Hodge Podge - was disqualified due to over aggressive launching tactics. This week we have been battling hard in school and on the Google classroom in a TTRS tournament with Tacolneston. We have now joined forces in a bid to reach the top of the Norfolk School's leader board before the end of term - so keep playing in the studio Willow over the weekend. Well done to all the children who have submitted their powerpoints on biomes this week - some excellent work. Aimee has worked hard at mastering the computer,*

successfully logging in to her account and onto the classroom independently. Ashley has worked very hard with his journal this week. Beautiful art work on the ocean too!

- **Mr East says:** Lots of children have been working really hard this week, and I know some children have been working solidly at home without putting work on the classroom. A big well done to you guys; we are now late in the summer term and you've done so well to keep going. Special mentions go to Harley for his determination with his times tables, Katie for her lovely poem about her dog and Bella, Charles and Immy for keeping up with work and trying their utmost over the past few weeks. You've all been amazing guys, well done.
- **Mrs Green says:** A special well done to Stanley in Year 1 for his super writing about stag beetles:



Values Certificates

- **Wade – Courage:** Wade has tackled some very tricky work at home with great results. Well done Wade, we love seeing your success!
- **Thomas H – Perseverance:** Thomas has shown a huge determination to achieve during lockdown and has emailed in some amazing work. Well done Thomas!
- **Nancy – Creativity:** Nancy has been wonderfully creative in class making some fantastic caterpillars, spiders, bubble pictures and flowers. We love her imagination. Well done Nancy!
- **Charlie – Thankfulness:** Charlie's love of the outdoors makes all of us thankful that we can enjoy pond dipping, exploring in the woods and playing games on the field. Thank you Charlie!
- **Isley – Perseverance:** Isley showed great determination in her google meet with Mrs Easter to find all the sounds she needed for their game. Great work Isley!
- **Bethany L - Courage:** For overcoming her self-doubt and really believing in herself.
- **Elisa Padreddii – Courage:** For having the courage to join in with our drama activities yesterday and working really hard all afternoon.
- **Emelia Russell - Perseverance:** For working really hard on improving her hand writing this year and showing great perseverance.
- **Reuben – Konoinia:** I was really impressed by Reuben's team spirit and determined attitude and how hard he worked den building.
- **Hailey – Konoinia:** Great team spirit - working to support others particularly in den building and in the garden
- **Amy S – Friendship:** Thank you for supporting others so well on the Google Class Stream - we wish you all the best at your new school.
- **Fergus - Perseverance:** For trying your best to keep going with work, even when you find it a little challenging! Well done Fergus.

Merit Awards

Congratulations go to:

- Jamie Lee – Bronze
- Robin – Silver
- Aimee – Silver
- Jamie - Gold
- Finlay B - Platinum

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We had some children celebrating their birthdays this week. I'd like to say a big

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

to

JAMIE-LEE AND LILY!

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