



AM/LH

10 March 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

Once again, thank you for your patience and understanding over the past week in relation to the school closure.

Closure Update

Oak, Mulberry, Chestnut and Holly classrooms remain closed off. Emergency building works to repair the roof above these classrooms and the ceilings inside the classrooms will commence as soon as possible and should take until the Easter holidays. The ceilings won't be decorated until the Summer holidays though so that we can use them again as soon as it is safe to do so.

Parents' Evening

The Parents' Evening which was postponed on Thursday 2 March will now be held on Wednesday 15 March. Your appointment times will all transfer to the same time slot on 15 March. If this is inconvenient, please contact your child's teacher to arrange an alternative time or date.

World Book Day

We have had many requests from parents and children to re-arrange World Book Day as it was missed due to the closure. The earliest we can hold World Book Day is **Tuesday 21 March**. This is the first date where we don't have either trips, sporting events or staff who are required to run workshops out of school! To re-arrange World Book Day earlier would either mean some groups of children would miss the whole day or we would have to run fewer activities due to staff being at meetings or on courses.

Comic Relief – Red Nose Day

As you will be aware, Comic Relief is on Friday 24 March. On 24 March, your child may come to school with a red nose and in non-uniform. A 50p donation is requested for Comic Relief.

Forest School Spring Event

On Friday 5 May we will be holding a Forest School Spring Event – similar to the Summer Fair. This will also include the grand opening of the new Forest School outdoor classroom.

More details on the final stall line up and events which will take place will be given shortly. However, we invite you to share in the event with your child if you wish, by collecting them at 1.30pm to visit the stalls and events.

20 in 20 World Book Challenge

Thank you for supporting your child with the sponsored Reading Challenge. Many sponsor forms and money have already been handed to the office. If you still have to hand yours in, please do so as soon as possible so prizes can be arranged.

Nursery

Nursery are asking for any donations of waterproof clothing or wellies in sizes 10, 11 or 12 that children have grown out of.

School Gates

I have received a number of complaints from parents about smokers at the school gates. While I appreciate that people are not smoking on the school site, I would urge anyone wishing to smoke to move away from the gate areas before they do so.

In addition, I have also had several parents concerned that dogs at the school gates are jumping up at children on their way to school. If you bring your dog to school, please note that they should not be brought into school grounds (unless it is an authorised assistance dog) and should be kept under close control if around children.

Sainburys Vouchers for Schools

We are collecting the Sainburys vouchers for schools. We have a box in the foyer near the school office to put them into.

Vandalism to School

It is with regret that I inform you that we have been targeted on a series of occasions by vandals. The police have been out as the vandals have now caused an increasing amount of damage to gates, fences and our electronic car park control systems. The latest incident was overnight on Wednesday where the school car park gate was targeted causing £500 of damage. We were also targeted during half term but the group were interrupted by Mr Todd our caretaker. The police are aware of a group of youths targeting schools in the area and believe we have also been a target.

If you see anything or anyone acting suspiciously around school out of school hours, at weekends or in holidays, please contact the police.

If anyone saw anything on Wednesday evening or knows anything useful to the police investigation, please call in to see me and I will pass the information to the police.

Yours sincerely

**Mr A Miller
Headteacher**

Wednesday 15 March	Re-arranged Parents' Evening
Tuesday 21 March	World Book Day – Dressing Up
Friday 24 March	Red Nose Day
Tuesday 28 March Wednesday 29 March Thursday 30 March Friday 31 March	Mothers' Day lunches (letters have gone out - please return your forms by close of school on Wednesday 15 March)
Wednesday 5 April	Easter Egg competition / Egg hunt for nursery & Reception
Thursday 6 April	Easter disco
Friday 7 April	Easter Service / Break up for half term
Monday 10 – Friday 21 April	Easter holidays
Monday 1 May	School Closed – May Day Bank Holiday
Friday 5 May	Forest School Spring Event
Friday 26 May	Break up for half term
Monday 30 May – Friday 2 June	Half term
Monday 5 June	Pupils return to school
Monday 5 – Friday 9 June	Book Fair / Themed writing week