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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all started to get used to the change in weather as it definitely feels a bit more autumnal this week. We have had a wonderful week in school and we have all enjoyed getting to grips with our Zoom Celebration Worship on a Friday afternoon. I am hoping to make this open to parents too but I want to run with it for a few weeks first as the internet is not great in school and we've already had some technical issues which need ironing out. I will keep you updated with this.

Speaking of Zoom: I want to hold a Zoom Parents' Forum later this term on 9th October at 2.00pm where I can share our Remote Learning Policy (which is how we will continue to teach your child if we have another lockdown) and talk about our plans for the year. The Governors are meeting on Monday to finalise the actions we will be implementing and I will then send out a summary for you all, like I did last year, next week.

Can I have a gentle moan about drop-offs and pick-ups? A few pleas from me:

- Please can you turn up at the correct time for drop-offs and collection? This will stop too many people being on the school site at the same time.
- Please can I ask you to keep off the school site until it is your time to drop-off or collect so that we do not have a bottle-neck in the pathway onto the site?
- Please can you leave the school site as quickly as possible to avoid getting in the way of other children leaving.

I know it seems I'm being a bit humbug over it but I'm trying to protect us all and avoid any lockdowns which is something we all want to avoid.

On a brighter note: we always used to celebrate things children did outside of school at our Friday Celebration Worship. I would like to resurrect this Friday treat. If your child has done something amazing at home, such as a sporting celebration or created something magical, or even has climbed Mount Everest, then please let us know so we can celebrate this via the Coaley Crew Facebook page, during our Friday Worship and in the newsletter. Photos for the newsletter and Coaley Crew will be very welcome.

Also, we are very lucky to have Mrs Halsey join the team and work with the older children in the first instance. She was a Headteacher at Rodborough Primary School for many years and we are very lucky to have her to help support reading and writing in the Owls and Starlings.

Richard Lucas
Executive Headteacher

Reception - First Full Week

This week was the first full week for our reception children. What a lovely week they have had. They spent time sharing and enjoying their 'Chatter Boxes' finding out about each other and the things they have in common. The favourite part of the day was playing with their friends.



Family Gloucestershire Magazine

In recent years Families Gloucestershire Magazine has been delivered to us on termly basis, but we are now luckily enough to have the opportunity to view it in electronic format. If you haven't seen it, take a look at: https://issuu.com/familiesonline/docs/gloucester_6bd182875ba699?fr=sZWUxZTE5NTE2NDQ



NHS Test and Trace COVID-19 app – resources for schools, parents and young people

NHS Test and Trace has launched the [NHS COVID-19 app](#). The app has been launched to help control the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19). It will do this by alerting people who may have been exposed to infection so that they can take action. The app is available to download on smartphones for anyone aged 16 or over. Please take a look, the app is really easy to follow.

Proud Cloud Certificates:
Robins: Esme
Starlings: Poppy
Owls: Lara

Values Certificates: Truth
Robins: Clementine
Starlings: lyla
Owls: Harry M

Growth Mindset Certificates:
Robins: Jess for amazing reasoning and discovery about place value.
Starlings: Anna-Mae for pushing herself to improve her writing.
Owls: Declan for your hard work and determination when improving your handwriting and spelling.

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