



Miss Shaw's Newsletter

Dear children and families,

I am so pleased to be writing this newsletter to you all. At last we have a date for everyone to return to school and everyone here is looking forward to welcoming our whole community back on Monday 8th March 2021. This will give us three weeks together before the two-week Easter Break.

During this time, we will be:

- 1) Running our healthy living week - watch out for some more information from Miss Gibson.
- 2) Carrying out some fundraising for Red Nose Day.
- 3) Having some fun with some Easter activities.
- 4) Carrying on with our amazing learning which we've either been doing at home or at school.

Unfortunately, some of our staff and children will be continuing to shield as they are deemed to be Clinically Extremely Vulnerable. Kingfisher Class will be taught by Ms Claydon and Mrs Starkswood for the rest of this term. Miss Gibson will be continuing to join the class virtually across the week.

Keeping everyone safe is still key. Our Risk Assessment has not changed from the Autumn Term so we will carry on in the same way in which we left off at Christmas.

- 1) Making sure that we wash or sanitise our hands regularly, and often, during the day.
- 2) Children having their own pack of equipment and reducing the amount of sharing as much as possible. Frequent handwashing supports safe sharing of equipment within a class.
- 3) Good ventilation throughout the school throughout the school day.
- 4) Allocated areas for different bubbles on the playground, and when we can use it, the field.
- 5) Having staggered times for lunch so there is only one bubble in the hall at one time. Miss Owen, Mrs Hardy and I will be on duty and make sure tables are cleaned before the next bubble arrive.

Arriving and leaving:

- 1) We will continue to have staggered times.
- 2) The morning times have not changed. Please arrive on time and not early.
- 3) For the time being we will be increasing the amount of time we use to see the children out at the end of the day. This is to reduce the number of parents/carers we have on site at one time.
 - a. Please stick to the time allocations below and do not arrive early. As last term, Mr Kingsford will call different classes and year groups at the correct time.
 - b. When you are queuing, please respect social distancing at all times and wear a face covering if you wish to.
 - c. Once you have collected your child, when you reach the front of the queue, please leave the school site immediately respecting social distancing.
- 4) If you are creating a support bubble with another family, you will need to tell us BEFORE the end of the day that you are collecting other children. We ask for siblings to come up to the door at the correct time, but it is very difficult when parents ask for another child when they arrive at the front of the queue and also means we have people waiting around.

Large Bubble	Arrival (all days)	Leaving (all days)
Y5/6	8.45	3.10 – 3.15
Y4		
Y3	8.55	3.05 – 3.10
Y2		2.55 – 3.05
Y1	9.05	2.45 – 2.55
YR/1		
Aviary	As per their year groups	



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Parent/carer conversations and reports

We will be offering all parents a 10-minute conversation with their child's class teacher early in the new term, to discuss how your child has settled back into school; what successes have been seen and the next steps for the term ahead. You will then also receive a written report in early July before the end of the academic year. I want to make this format as useful as possible so it may look a little different from previous years.

SATs etc

The Government have removed all statutory testing from primary schools for this academic year. This includes Phonics for Year 1, end of Year 2 teacher assessment and the end of Year 6 SATs.

Laptops and iPads on loan

If you have borrowed a laptop or iPad, from us, please return it by Friday 12th March 2021.

I am very much hoping that the Government's four tests are met at each point in time and that we do come out of all these restrictions in mid-June. If we do, we are hoping to hold a community event towards the end of term to celebrate.

Stay safe.

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Rosettes this week have been presented to (if you are at home, yours will come in the post soon!):

Kestrel: Jamie, Isaac

Eagle: Nathan, Freya

Kingfisher: David, Fraser

Woodpecker: Austin, Evelyn

Kiwi: Crystal-Lee, Ernests

Ostrich: Alisha, Alfred

Flamingo: Ayyub, Jahziah

Wren: Nour, Alice

Gosling: Noah, Arthur

Duckling: Duru, Renaye

The Aviary: Rico, Max