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Term 6 – Week 5- 2019-2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a very busy couple of weeks with Arts week, virtual Sports Day and Patina. It's great that we are still able to do these things despite the circumstances. Many thanks to the creativity of staff to help these things go ahead.

We are delighted that we now have had a chance to see all the children who wanted to/were able to, return before the summer holiday. We have a couple of Year 6 who will be joining us for the last 2 days of term to complete their time at Laughton. We do hope that those that weren't able to join us will pop back in the future to let us know how they are getting on and we do plan on arranging a reunion when it is safe to do so.

REWARDS

Congratulations to the following children who have received their next Pupil Point certificates.

100 Points – Underwater – Ben, Ethan, Isla, Millie, Toby Jungle - Eaton

200 Points- Underwater- Teddie – Bugs- Jess

300 Points – Bugs – Kye, Ida

400 Points – Bugs – Mya, Ida. Esta – Jungle - Rupert

500 Points – Bugs – Bryce, Pippa, Phoenix – Jungle - Ella

600 Points – Bugs – Daisy, Elsie, Ila, Nancy

900 Points- Jungle – Andrew

1000 Points – High Peaks – Charlie, Flossy

1200 Points- Jungle - Hamish

1300 Points – High Peaks - Alice

Diary

July

10th Reports sent home

10th Welly Walk - Bubble I

17th Welly Walk - Bubble I

21st Last day of term

September

7th Children return to school

ARTS WEEK

Last week we saw our budding artists shine. There were a lot of new skills introduced and Mrs Coakley has created a slide show of the lovely art work. Please see attached.

PREMIER SPORT SUMMER CLUB

We have arranged with Premier Sport for them to run a holiday club for the weeks 3rd- 7th August and 10th – 14th August. It is great value with Mon – Fri 9:00-3:30 at £60 per child. There are other options too.

Please see the attached flier and book on it as soon as possible as it will run on a first come first served basis.

REMINDERS

Please can we remind you that packed lunches from home must be NUT FREE, including chocolate spreads containing nuts. We continue to promote healthy eating at school and therefore ask that chocolate bars and sweets are not included in packed lunches. Small chocolate covered biscuits- Kit Kats, Penguin bars etc are fine. As a rule of thumb, if it is in the biscuit aisle, it is a biscuit; therefore ok in school.



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READY FOR SEPTEMBER

In preparing for new class teachers we are asking all children who are working at home to complete a pupil passport for their new teacher and return it to their current class teacher before the holiday. This is to help with transition in September. The children at school will do these in school. We will give further information on transition before the end of term to explain how we are going to support your child in September as we are still awaiting further guidelines from the government on how schools open to all pupils. We are basing our current planning on full classes returning but possibly needing to not mix groups and continue with staggering the entry, playtimes, lunchtimes and end of day. We will stick as close as we can to our normal hours of 8:45-3p.m

THANK YOU

For those of you that have been round to the office entrance you will have noticed the lovely hanging baskets that have been planted by Ava, Mya and their family. They have also done the ones on the canopy outside Bugs and Jungle class. Thank you so much they have really brightened up our school.

PELHAM FIELD

Please see attachment with our reasons why we would like to campaign to have the fencing brought back on to the Parish Council agenda alongside the initial proposal. We really need your support. Thank you.

SUPPORT AND FREE SCHOOL MEALS

We are aware that the situation over the last few months may have affected many of our families in terms of jobs and money coming in. We are here to offer support if anyone needs anything so please just ask. You can contact the school office and any help or advice can be given in confidence.

Some of you may be eligible for free school meals. This means that your child can either receive a free meal at school or if they are not in school you can have a voucher sent to you for £15 a week. This is £90 over the summer holidays. You can do this if you receive any of the following benefits:

[Universal Credit](#) – if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

[Income Support](#)

Income-based [Jobseekers Allowance](#)

Income-related [Employment and Support Allowance](#)

Support under [Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999](#)

The Guaranteed element of State [Pension Credit](#)

Child Tax Credit only, if your annual household income (assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) isn't over £16,190. **Anyone getting Working Tax Credit won't get free meals regardless of income**

Working Tax Credit run-on – paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

Children eligible for free school meals on or after 1 April 2018 will remain eligible until they finish the phase of schooling (primary or secondary) they're in on 31 March 2023 even if your circumstances change.

The school also receives additional funding to support your child in their learning and this can be used to help with resources, uniform, trips e.t.c.

The process is not taking very long at the moment and can all be done on online. See link for further information and the application form.

<https://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/educationandlearning/schools/school-life/meals/free/>

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VIRTUAL SPORTS DAY

We had a fabulous Sports Day on Friday where the children at home and school contributed their physical talents to gain points for their school team. We had a large number at home take part too, to increase the scores. Well done everyone. The pictures have been

posted on the learning platform through your class log in. Well done to our Blue team winners.



PATINA

Our Year 6 children in school and at home celebrated their primary years at the virtual Patina today. We had a socially distanced procession on Pelham field with the town crier ringing his bell to announce the start. The bubbles came out to watch from a distance and created a huge amount of noise with their instruments.



'Even though Patina isn't how it would normally be, we had lots of fun saying goodbye to Laughton. We walked around the field with our models while the rest of the bubbles cheered us on with musical instruments. I really enjoyed this morning.' Ebony

MESSAGE FROM MRS COAKLEY

Could we make a final request for the 'This is Me' topic books from last term to be returned to school on Monday morning please. For those who are in school, a box will be left outside where the children can place their topic books before entering their class. For those who are learning from home, a box will be left undercover by Mr Herdman's shed opposite the office. Please bring them in after 9:30am but before 1pm to avoid the school times.

We would also like to remind bubble 1 parents that we go on a welly walk every Friday. Please could you make sure that your child is ready when they come into school and to bring a clean uniform in a plastic bag for them to change in to. Thank you.

MESSAGE FROM MS RICCA

Please could we make a request for any old but good condition bikes/balance bikes and scooters that would be suitable for the children in Underwater class. If you can help, please make contact with the office to arrange a safe drop off.

Wishing you a very happy weekend
Rachel West and Vicki Brown