



Dear Parents,

Half term seems to be fast approaching and the days are flying by in school!

The Polar Bears have been studying the art of Georgia O'Keefe this week, in particular her 'Night Sky'.

The Leopards class have been creating drawings and watercolours of their families from photographs. There have been some really thoughtful comments about what a family is on their Twitter page.

White Tigers have been making their own lighthouses as part of Design and Technology. They have also learnt how to play netball as part of PE lessons.

Pandas have been learning about Charles Darwin this week learning factual information ready to create their own log books.

Parents' Evening

The bookings for appointments should already be open by the time you receive this newsletter. All appointments are on Zoom.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

OCTOBER

12th Oct – Parents' Evening appointments booking open
20th/22nd – Parents' Evening via Zoom

21st Oct – Flu Vaccination

22nd Oct – end of half term

23rd Oct – INSET (staff training)

26th – 30th Oct – half term

NOVEMBER

Week beg 16th Nov – Anti-Bullying Week

DECEMBER

17th Dec – end of term

18th Dec – INSET (staff training)

JANUARY

4th Jan – start of term

FEBRUARY

15th – 19th Feb – half term

MARCH

31st March – end of term

APRIL

1st April – INSET (staff training)

19th April – start of term

MAY

Week beg 10th May – Y6

SATs & Christian Aid Week

26th-28th May – Year 5/6 Residential

31st May – 4th June – half term

JUNE

7th June – start of term

JULY

21st July – end of term

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During both evenings there will be opportunities to join a separate Zoom session where I will explain the new maths scheme 'Power Maths' to parents and walk through some typical lessons for pupils in different year groups.

Staffing News

Mrs Botham will be around school over the next few weeks as she begins her 'Keeping in Touch' days prior to her intended return from maternity leave in January. She intends to return four days a week to Pandas class with the fifth day covered by Mrs Loftus. We are intending to continue to employ Mrs Loftus from January for some additional mornings during the week to support particularly maths lessons in Key Stage 2. We are using some of our COVID Catch-Up funding to provide this.

School Meals

We are intending to start offering hot meals after half term to all pupils. Menus will be sent out to parents this week. Polar Bears and Leopards will eat in the hall but the two bubbles will not mix. Each class will sit in a different area of the hall with a 2 metre gap down the middle. Separate staff will serve each class and children will not be able to move freely around the hall, with plates etc. collected from the tables. Cutlery will be laid on the tables rather than children choosing from a box. All tables and chairs will be thoroughly cleaned each day. White Tigers and Pandas will continue to eat in classrooms with food served from the corridor and taken into classrooms. There will be a choice of a hot meal, a vegetarian option, a jacket potato and a cold option. This is not the full choice we had intended for this term but we are hoping to add to this over the term. After they have eaten, as is happening now, bubbles (or classes) will play separately – either at different times or in different areas outside.

Road to Tokyo

We are joining the Carres Outreach Team's Road to Tokyo challenge! This is an event for everyone in school to take part in. The aim of this challenge is for our school to work as a team and cover the **5855 MILES** from Carre's Grammar School to Tokyo. To complete this, staff and children can use different methods of being active to build up the school's total. This can be anytime, anywhere as long as the distance is recorded and uploaded to the Microsoft form attached. The idea is to be able to inspire the children to want to go outside and exercise and have better overall health for the future by building healthy habits. To enter from home as any of you can, simply record your journey using the link below. The form is open now. This is not a race. We would like to see great examples of self-belief and determination to reach a goal as a team, regardless of how long it takes you to get there!

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=4I_ewOP1L06Lz_HFSzjyi0fKIOtWtvhGse87nNu9SDBUNIRGN0IGVkywQU01N09NVExTMIIVN09YNC4u

Classes will be contributing to the Road to Tokyo in their PE lessons over the next few weeks.

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Reverend Chris

We are intending to hold some sort of harvest celebration after half term although this will not be in the usual form of a visit to church. Usually we have a 'new starter' service in September to formally welcome the new reception children as part of our school family. This would usually take place at church with parents of reception children invited. Unfortunately, we cannot do this at present but Reverend Chris and I are planning a similar event which we should be able to share with you electronically after half term. Reverend Chris is an important member of our school family, much loved by the children and staff. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers as she is struggling with the news that one of her beloved ten dogs, Ozzy, has gone missing recently while away from home in the Cambridge area. She has set up a Facebook page to try and track him down. More info below:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/817335529077107/?ref=share>

Poppy Collection

We are awaiting the box of poppy and poppy-related items that usually arrives in school at this time of year to support the British Legion. It is due this week, I will send a Parentmail once it arrives. Most items are around 50p or £1.00 with pin badges usually the most expensive item at £2. Children will be reminded not to touch something unless they are paying for it and to pin on their poppy and bring other items home with them.