



## One more week to go!

We are really looking forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March.

Much of our risk assessment and Covid-safe procedures remain unchanged. The biggest change will be the introduction of 'waiting zones' at the end of the school day to try and support everyone's social distancing. A map showing where each class's waiting zone is will be sent home next week.

It was lovely to see so many parents joining in with our assemblies this afternoon (apologies that I couldn't attend the Year 5 and 6 assemblies due to another meeting) and we're looking forward to seeing you soon too!

## World Book Day

On Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March, we will be celebrating World Book Day. The children are able to dress up if they would like to. This could be:

- ~ Full dressing up!
- ~ Creating a book character related mask
- ~ Wear a hat that a character from a book wears
- ~ Bring a favourite book

Whether at home, or at school, the children are all invited to take part in a virtual assembly where they can share their costume, mask, hat or book - or just listen to others sharing their costumes and books.

The children's learning that day will also link with World Book Day.

We have received the £1 vouchers today and these will be handed out to all children in school on Thursday and to everyone else as soon as they return to school. We also have 100 copies of the £1 books which children may choose instead of the voucher.



**Year 3 and 4 World Book day Assembly - Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March  
1:30pm**

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

**Year 5 and 6 World Book Day Assembly - Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March  
2:00pm**

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

## DIARY DATES

New dates / updates in yellow

Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Notification of Year 7 places for Sept 2021
Thur 4 <sup>th</sup> Mar	World Book Day Year 3 & 4 virtual assembly @ 1:30pm Year 5 & 6 virtual assembly @ 2:00pm <b>Please see links in this newsletter</b>
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Well-being Activity Day in preparation for our return to school on Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> March
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> Mar	School is fully re-open for all children
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Parents' evening 3:45-5:30pm These meetings will now be virtual (further details to follow)
Thur 18 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Virtual Parents' evening 3:45-5:30pm
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Red Nose Day for Comic Relief (further details to follow)
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Virtual Parents' evening 5:00-7:00pm
Thur 1 <sup>st</sup> April	School closes for the Easter holiday @ 1:30pm
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> April	Notification of Year 3 places for Sept 2021
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> April	School reopens for Summer 1
Thur 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Earth Day
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	BANK HOLIDAY
W/b Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATs Week CANCELLED
W/b Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 residential trip to Wales
W/b 24 <sup>th</sup> May	International Week
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> May	Finish for half term @ 3:25pm
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> June	INSET DAY - school closed
Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> June	School reopens for Summer 2
Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Class photos and Year 6 Leavers' photos
Thur 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Common Transition Day Children visit their new schools /classes
W/b 5 <sup>th</sup> July & 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Bikeability Week

## Happy Birthday!

Ava - 9 years today!

Matthew - 11 years today!

Ava - 8 years on Wednesday

Max - 9 years on Monday

Ada - 9 years on Wednesday

Jigar - 10 years on Monday



## Laptops

If you have borrowed a laptop or tablet for your child to use at home for their remote learning, please can these be returned to school during the first week back beginning 8<sup>th</sup> March?

We have been pleased to be able to support so many families with these laptops. Although funded by the Department for Education, they will remain the property of the school and will be used during lessons.

Should any family need to self-isolate at any point, they will, of course, be available straight away for your child to borrow and use at home.



## Words of the Fortnight!

To encourage our children to use a wider range of vocabulary, we set a challenge for the children which we hope you will join in with at home too. Every two weeks, a new word is introduced in each class and the children get rewards for using them in their writing or in conversation. Our new words are:

Year 3

# 'Breakthrough'

Noun - a piece of information or a clue that helps solve a mystery

Year 4

# 'Power'

Noun - physical strength and force exerted by something or someone

Year 5

# 'Endeavour'

Verb - to try hard to do or achieve something

Year 6

# 'Propaganda'

Noun - exaggerated or false information that is broadcast in order to influence people

How often can you use these words at home?

## Keep Calm and Carry On!

Year 6 started their week looking at carrots! This linked with their book 'Once' and the start of their history learning for this half term about World War 2.

The focus of the learning is to enable them to answer the question 'How did Hitler's rise to power affect children's lives?'

We understand from conversations with the pupils that families have memorabilia; memories of family members that were evacuated; or memories of Farnborough during World War 2. If you able to share some of these, we would be very grateful as it would allow the children to experience our local history from primary and secondary sources.

Please get in touch with the school office if you are able to help us.



## Thank you!

Before half term, we were lucky enough to receive two brand new Lenovo laptops. These were an extremely generous gift from Auxitrol Weston who are an international aerospace company with a base here in Farnborough. A special mention should be made to Mr Poulter who is one of our parents, and who is responsible for making this possible. These laptops are now in children's homes supporting them with their remote learning. Many thanks to Mr Poulter and everyone at Auxitrol Weston.



## Change of Contact Details

If there are any changes to your child's contact details i.e. address, phone numbers, email - please could you let the School Office know so that all our information is up to date.