

Friday 3rd July 2020

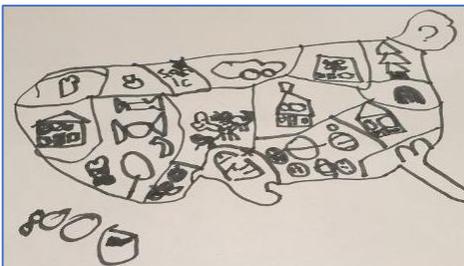
Dear Parents and Families,

You may be aware of the government announcement this week that schools should prepare to welcome all children back in September. This will be very important for pupils' education and wellbeing, and a move back towards a more normal life for families. We will continue to minimise any risks from coronavirus in the autumn term, with measures to include risk assessments, regular cleaning and hand washing, adjustments to the school day such as staggered break times, and the continuation of our 'bubble' approach to reduce contact between groups of children. We will provide you with more information before the end of term.

I am aware that for some of you it can be difficult to manage home learning and motivate your children while managing your own busy lives. Please do not put yourselves under too much pressure, and just do what you can and try to make any home learning positive. Any time spent together with your children is a good thing, and from September we will be able to support and help your children to get back on track.

School Reports will be posted out to parents on Monday. As always, you are welcome to contact your class teacher if you would like to discuss any aspect of your children's reports.

We have seen some super work from the children across the schools both in school and at home again this week. Please keep your fabulous pictures of home learning coming in to us. We love to see what the children have been busy with at home.



From Norman, James in Robins Class drew a map of the American states using picture symbols to name them. James has used his extra time at home to learn all the different states and their capital cities.

In school The Robins Bubble have been carefully watching the strawberries ripen over the last few weeks. They learnt what strawberries need to grow successfully and about how they need to be red before we can eat them. This week, on the way past the vegetable patch we noticed the strawberries were red enough and looked juicy enough to eat. The children said they were "juicy and delicious" and are patiently waiting for the next batch.



Also from The Norman Daisy and Ellie in Wrens Class have been doing some home learning using the bunny hop work sheet to practice their pencil control.

Reminders

If you have a child in Reception, Y1, Y6 or Key Worker family who you would like to return to school, please make sure you contact the school office beforehand, and try to give us one week's notice, to enable us to meet our safety requirements.

Please make sure that all children are dropped off and collected at their allocated staggered times (not early!) to prevent the pupil groups mixing.

For safeguarding reasons, we ask that if your child is expected to attend school on a particular day, and will not be attending, please phone and leave a message. You should please state your child's name, class and the reason for their absence.

For the safety of the children, yourselves and also our neighbours can we please ask that when you drop off, pick up or visit any of our schools that you park safely and avoid parking too close to the school gates and never on the yellow zig zag lines outside school. Please also park with consideration to our neighbours around all schools.

Term Dates 2019/2020

Summer term

Monday 1st June - Tuesday 21st July 2020

Summer holiday: Wednesday 22nd July - Friday 4th September 2020

Term Dates 2020/2021

Staff INSET days – 3rd/4th September 2020, 22nd/23rd October 2020

Autumn term

Monday 7th September - Wednesday 21st October 2020

Half-term holiday: Thursday 22nd - Friday 30th October 2020

Monday 2nd November - Friday 18th December 2020

Christmas holiday: Monday 21st December – Friday 1st January 2021

Spring term

Monday 4th January - Friday 12th February 2021

Half-term holiday: Monday 15th - Friday 19th February 2021

Monday 22nd February – Thursday 26th March 2021

Easter holiday: Monday 29th March - Friday 9th April 2021

Summer term

Monday 12th April - Friday 28th May 2020 (Monday 3rd May is a Bank Holiday)

Half-term holiday: Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June 2021

Monday 7th June - Wednesday 21st July 2021

Summer holiday: Thursday 22nd July - Friday 3rd September 2021