



# Newsletter 21

## Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February

### Upcoming Events:

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March  
World Book Day

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March  
All pupils to return to school

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March  
Easter Holidays Begin

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April  
Training Day  
(pupils return April 13<sup>th</sup>)

### Class Reference Information:

Reception = Robin and Wren (EYFS/Foundation Stage)  
KS1 = Swift, Nightingale and Woodpecker (Year 1 and 2)  
Lower KS2 = Buzzard, Osprey Falcon, and Skylark (Year 3 and 4)  
Upper KS2 = Kestrel, Red Kite, Owl and Eagle (Year 5 and 6)

### March 8<sup>th</sup>:

We are all looking forward to welcoming all pupils back on March 8<sup>th</sup>. The staff and I appreciate your continued support for the school, and we hope the full detail of the Government's roadmap to reopen the country provides you with hope for an increasingly brighter 2021.

I would like to thank all our pupils and parents for the resilience you have shown to home schooling since we closed. I understand how difficult home learning can be but with your support and enthusiasm our pupils continue to make good progress.

Here are the initial plans for Monday 8<sup>th</sup>, however I will send further information next week; plus, staff will be completing a Loom for each class and sending a survey to support your child's transition back to school.

All our previous COVID measures will continue to be in place, these include:

- Regular handwashing
- Regular wiping down of surfaces
- Pupils will have their own equipment
- Desks facing forward and set spaces
- Own year group toilets, with one in and one out system
- Lunches in classrooms, in set spaces
- Shared equipment either not used or quarantined after use
- Reading books and anything from home quarantined for 72 hours

*\*EYFS: Due to the nature of their learning, do have slightly different measures in place but staff manage social interactions, equipment and carpet spaces in the same way as the rest of the school.*

Staggered Drop Off and Collection Times:

| Year Group   | Drop Off      | Collection    |
|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| Year 5 and 6 | 8.40 – 8.50am | 2.55– 3.05pm  |
| Year 3 and 4 | 8.45 – 8.55am | 3.10 – 3.20pm |
| Year 1 and 2 | 8.50 – 8.55am | 3.05 – 3.15pm |
| Reception    | 8.55 – 9.05am | 3.00 – 3.05pm |

*Please remember that if you have children in multiple year groups, you can drop off and collect all your children at the same time.*

Please can I ask parents and carers to:

- Continue to wear a face mask, at drop off and collection, unless medically exempt

- Only access the site from 8.40 (many are arriving early which means people are gathering on site)
- If your child is in Year 5/6, where possible, please collect them off the school grounds, preferably not directly outside the school gates, as this also causes some congestion
- Please email the teacher with any messages, rather than speaking at the door, and if a meeting is needed, this will be arranged via MS Teams

Staff are going to:

- Wear a face covering when opening the door at drop off and collection
- Complete lateral flow tests twice weekly
- All adults will be wearing face coverings in corridors, communal areas and when working closely with pupils
- Open doors promptly, to stop any gatherings on site

All pupils will be in class bubbles and staff will be based in the minimal number of bubbles.

The updated risk assessment will be added to the school website, next week.

### **Internet Safety:**

The digital world is vast, exciting and forever evolving at such a pace that parents often find it hard to keep up. Our children have never known life before the online world and are getting more and more tech savvy at an earlier age. This causes many of us anxiety because we are not experts, we have not grown up in the age of online technology and we have not had childhood experience to draw upon when providing guidance for our own children.

However, the digital world doesn't have to be considered a place of worry for parents; in fact, it can be embraced as a tool for building a better future for us all.

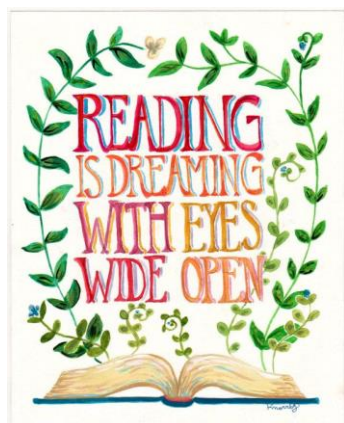
2Simple, the creators of Purple Mash, have put together an informative guide to help support you in enabling your child to grow into a responsible digital citizen who is able to keep themselves safe while, at the same time, getting the very best from the digital world.

In this guide, which we will share a section with you each week, you will find tips and advice for each of the key areas of online safety for primary-aged children. Each of these areas is further broken down into tips for parents of children aged 5 to 7 and for those of children aged 7 to 11. This week's section focuses on 'Being your child's role model', which you will find attached.

### **World Book Day:**

Staff will be sending home a Pick and Mix grid for World Book Day, next Thursday. We have tried hard to make the day interactive and engaging! Dressing up is encouraged – whether at home or school – there are lots of costume ideas using everyday clothing online!

### **Quote:**



I hope you all have an enjoyable weekend and stay safe.