

25th September 2020

Week beginning 28th
Parent Consultation
Evenings via MS Teams

Thursday 1st October
Favourites Day Lunch
*Please order via School
Grid*

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)

Virtual Assembly Focus: **Respect (including manners)**

Home Learning: This term, to minimise the number of items which are being brought to and from school, we are ensuring our home learning is online based as well as reading; these expectations will be shared by Parent Hub. We are not going to be creating our normal pick and mix grid, however as you have received the knowledge organisers, please use these as a basis to inform any project or crafts you wish to undertake. If you would like to share these with the class teacher, instead of bringing them into school, please email the year group inbox with a picture of your child's creation / project / PowerPoint as staff would love to receive them.

What if my child needs to miss school due to self-isolation? If your child cannot attend school due to self-isolation, each Key Stage have created a remote learning grid which will provide families with learning which mirrors the learning which is happening in the classrooms. The learning overview which will be sent to parents, via the office, if a child is well but self-isolating. The overview will contain core and foundation subject areas covered and online learning such as Purple Mash tasks, Spelling Shed, Numbots and TT Rockstars etc. We hope this will provide structure and support, ensuring every child can continue their learning whilst not able to attend school.

Parent Consultation Evenings: Thank you to all those parents who have booked an appointment speak to the class teacher. We are really hoping that everything goes to plan, but please be understanding if a technical issue arises, my staff will seek to rectify this as soon as possible. As it is online, please can I remind you that appointments are only **10 minutes** and you will be asked to book another time if more discussion is needed, this is because we do not want parents waiting to be admitted to a meeting, watching a blank screen. Thank you.

Earrings: We have had some parents ask about our policy on earrings recently and therefore please note the following advice from Ian Roberts, Advisor for PE and School Sports for Cambridgeshire County Council: earrings must not be worn for PE/Games lessons and during any sporting after school clubs. They need to be removed completely; children are no longer allowed to put tape round them. Children who wear earrings will not be able to take part in practical lessons but will be able to take on the role of umpire, referee, and coach where appropriate. Please find below details from the County Council Guidance as to why earrings should not be worn; 'The reason not to wear earrings (or any jewellery) is that it can lead to injury for the wearer and for others in the class and it is the teacher's duty of care that must apply here. The reason is both about tearing of the ear lobe, but also the post of the earring going into the neck which is where the brachial nerve is running directly to the brain. This is also national policy from the Association of PE (AfPE). Please consider this advice when getting your child's ears pierced. If your child does wear earrings, please can they come to school without them, on PE days, as we need to ensure all belongs remain with children, as a protective measure.

Before and after school club: We are still aiming to be able to provide before and after school club, hopefully after half term. We are in the final stages of discussion with The Trust to ensure that the provision we are going to be offering is right for the children and the school. As soon as I have more details I will inform you all.

Ventilation: As one of the protective measures in school, we are ensuring that windows are kept open. This is making some of the classrooms colder than they previously have been, therefore if your child feels the cold please put them in a couple of extra layers under their jumpers, when the weather is similar to today – hopefully we will get some final autumn sunshine again soon.