

23rd October 2020

Wednesday 4th and
Thursday 5th November
Reception Parent
Consultation Evenings

Thursday 5th November
Firework Extravaganza
Special Bonfire Lunch

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: Wellbeing

Half Term: We have made it to the end of the first half term! It has been a challenging one, but all our staff have been amazed at the wonderful attitudes and the resilience your children have shown since returning to school. I hope you all have a relaxing staycation. Though going abroad would not be recommended at present due to the potential risks associated with it and the need to quarantine, please inform us if you do via the office email address: office@gamlingayvp.org

Thank you:

Despite the restrictions, everyone has adapted exceptionally well. We look forward to the next half term starting with our Firework Extravaganza on Thursday 5th November. Thank you to the parents and carers for your on-going support.

Informing School of Testing: We hope that during half term, everyone remains safe and well but please can you ensure you inform the school if your child has needed to have a test and the result has been Positive, as you would if we were in school, because we will need to ensure we have completed a risk assessments to identify any close contacts. We obviously really hope this does not happen, but I need to ensure that everyone is aware that school needs to be informed if it does.

E-Scooters: The following message was sent from Cambridgeshire Constabulary:

Cambridgeshire Police have recently had cause to deal with numerous incidents relating to Children riding E-scooters in a dangerous manner on pavements as well as roads. Not only is this a safety concern for other road users, pedestrians and the rider themselves, but they are also breaking the law. Therefore, we would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone of the UK Law with regards to e-scooters and specifically in regards to children and young people under 18yrs.

Privately owned e-scooters are **not** permitted to be used on UK roads, pavements or cycle lanes. They are only permitted to be used on private land with the land owner's permission. Anyone who rides an E-scooter on a public road, cycle lane or pavement will be committing various road traffic offences.

The only caveat to that is that in Cambridge city there is a trial underway where it is possible to lawfully hire a scooter but certain conditions must be complied with, for example the rider is 18yrs or more, holds a current driving licence and they cannot be ridden on pavements. The legislation has been amended to allow trials of these to take place country wide, currently Cambridge city is the only area of our county to be taking part.

Therefore, school children **must not ride them**, if they do, they are committing offences.

For further information use this link

<https://roadsafetygb.org.uk/news/government-fast-tracks-trials-of-electric-scooters/>