## Newsletter 26<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Dear parents,

We can see a faint light at the end of a very long tunnel, and enthused by that, we are currently preparing for all children to return to school on 8<sup>th</sup> March.

This is an exciting time for us, one we have been looking forward for quite a while now. I am sure many of you are also thrilled about the idea of sending your children back to school, as this should inevitably mean some sort of normality.

But we cannot forget that school will not be open as normal, as we will need to continue with all the safety measures we had in place before the latest lockdown. Children will still be in bubbles and we will continue to stagger times for arriving at school and returning home.

All our safety measures in school will continue and all our members of staff (unless exempt) will be wearing face coverings in school. We would also like to ask parents to wear face coverings when coming onto our school grounds. Please note scientific guidance advises that children in primary school <u>do not</u> need to wear a face covering.

We are aware that the new variants of Covid are, or may be, more transmissible. However, PHE advice remains that the way to control this virus is with the system of controls.

As we prepare to welcome you all back, it might be helpful to talk to your child/ren about the things they have enjoyed during the lockdown and what they may be looking forward to when they return to school. Let's help them prepare for the next chapter in their school year; a chapter in a very unusual book. For some, turning that page will be a natural thing, but for others it will be a worrying and troublesome time.

Finally, let's rejoice that we may be seeing the end of a very dark time. The sun is shining down on us and our hope for normality is now bigger than ever.



God gives Beauty for Ashes Isaiah 61:3

## Stars of the Week

Reception: Victor - For reading beautifully this week and for always working hard with the activities at home.

Year 1: Sophie - For joining in well during online lessons and for working hard on activities. Year 2: Alex - For participating well during all lessons online and for producing great work. Year 3: Polly - For an excellent attitude towards learning, always trying her best and working hard.

Year 4: Matviy - For all of his hard work and efforts with joining in and with his home learning activities.

Year 5: Teresa - For working hard in Numeracy.

Year 6: Chantell - For producing excellent pieces of work.

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