

# Newsletter 5<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Dear parents,

## **School bags ready, uniform ready, shoes polished, shirts ironed! We are ready!**

Next time we open the gates of our school it will be to welcome you all back. The coming week will be an exciting time for our children. For some of them there will have been months since they have seen their friends and teachers. We know the first few days back can also be days of trepidation and uncertainty. I would like to reassure you that in school we will be doing all we can to make it as safe as possible, and to keep things as normal as they can be in the circumstances. So as we prepare to open our school to all children again, we should thank our children and we must acknowledge the sacrifices our children have made to help keep us safe and suppress this virus.

Well done all of you, you stayed at home to protect us all. You kept your distance, to save lives. And it is because of your great efforts that we can now think of our new normal. Good job, you are all superheroes!

## World Maths Day and World Book Day

On Wednesday and Thursday we had two special days, with alternatives to our typical lessons. I really enjoyed all the original ideas and different costumes. On Tuesday we had the celebration of Numbers and Mathematics. Children played games which involved mathematical recall at speed and I thought they were very impressive. On Thursday we enjoyed all the different costumes; we had princesses, superheroes, quite a few Harry Potters. We even had a Mermaid who needed a fur coat to weather the cold day! I love the visit to Reception from Prince Charming and a few Elsas.

The most important thing was the opportunity to see the children, in school and at home, really enjoying and sharing their love for reading.

Upon everyone's return we are planning to continue enjoying special learning days, but first and foremost we are planning to have lots and lots of fun!

## Stars of the Week

Reception - Abigail: For working really hard during World Maths Day, particularly with her shopping task.

Year 1 - Aziah: For working really hard with remote learning and producing great pieces of work.

Year 2 - Rosamaria: For working hard with remote learning and participating well in every session.

Year 3 - Lena: For always trying her best and working hard with remote learning.

Year 4 - Gemma: For working extremely hard with her online lessons and for always showing a great attitude towards her learning.

Year 5 - Ana: For an excellent World Book Day presentation.

Year 6 - Julia: For an excellent poster design for Fair Trade Fortnight.

## Mottingham Library Reopening

Mottingham Library will be open from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March for 'Click & Collect' only. (They are not able to sell food bags/Garden Waste Stickers etc and there is no access to computers or photocopying.)

The hours will be as follows:

Monday 10am – 2pm

Wednesday 10am – 2pm

Friday 10am – 2pm

Saturday 10am – 2pm

To reserve items for collection, please

- visit the website, <https://capitadiscovery.co.uk/bromley/>
- email on [Mottingham.library@gll.org](mailto:Mottingham.library@gll.org)
- ring on 020 8857 5406 (please have your library card to hand)
- drop a note through the door

You may also request a random bag of books on a specific theme or for a specific age-group (e.g. rockets/school stories/age 8)

*Kind regards*

*Mrs Gonzalez*

*Headteacher*

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