



Hackwood News

10th March, 2021



Dear Families,

It has been so lovely to see everyone back in school this week. The children have been so excited to see their friends and teachers and they have been working hard in class.

Arrival to School

Thank you for remembering our new gate times. We are grateful to you for sticking to the time slots where possible. We do have a couple of families that need to also take children to other schools. We wish to support all parents where possible so, at their request, we have agreed some families can drop off at the first time slot of 8:45. If this would help you please speak to a member of staff at the gate.

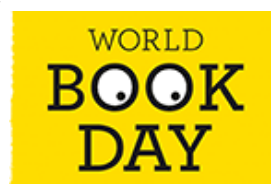
We have also been asked by other parents to please be mindful of your speed on Starflower Way and also where you park. Please don't block other cars in or park in front of driveways. We appreciate your support with this to keep all families safe.

Collection from School

To keep your child safe, we are only able to allow an approved person to collect them. This can be you or another relative or friend (currently within your support bubble). Following guidance from the NSPCC, the person collecting needs to be aged over 14. If you need to update the form where you have told us who can collect please speak to the office. Completing the form will avoid there being a delay as we wouldn't need to then ring you.

World Book Day— Moved to Thursday 11th March

Just a reminder that we chose to move World Book Day to this week on Thursday so that more children could join in from school. You may send your child to school dressed as a character from a book. Alternatively they may come in sparkly clothes. We are not collecting for charity for this so no money is needed.



Red Nose Day—Friday 19th March

On Friday 19th March it is Red Nose Day. One aspect of our Harmony Pledge is for children to take part in charitable events, raising their awareness but also some money for important causes. We will be having our Red Nose Day on WEDNESDAY 17TH MARCH. We have put it on a Wednesday so that all children in school can join in. Your child can wear their Red Nose or dress in red on the Wednesday. We would be very grateful for a £1 donation to the charity if you feel able. Mrs Binoy will be leading an assembly on the day and class teachers will also talk about the work of the charity in an age appropriate way.



Easter

We break up for the Easter holidays on Wednesday 31st March. (The 1st April is an INSET day for staff). On 31st March the children in Nursery and Reception will be making Easter bonnets in class. There will be an outside parade so that other children can see them. There will also be an Easter assembly and all classes will be making cards for Easter/Spring.



Birthday Celebrations

We are aware that due to Covid, many children have been prevented from celebrating their birthdays with their friends. On Wednesday 31st March, we would like to celebrate all the birthdays for this term by giving everyone in school a cake. We are also inviting the children to come in their party clothes if they wish. The children enjoyed this last term and it made the children feel special.

Reading Books

Thank you for reading so much with your child during lockdown. We are hearing from children about the books they have read and enjoyed. Family time together reading is so important and special. We do hope to be able to get back to loaning out our free choice books from our library as soon as possible. In the meantime, please continue to read books online using the MyOn system and other online sources as well as your own book collection. Reading books continue to be changed weekly in school. Please send the book bag with book and reading record daily and look out for the comment from the adult in class once a week.

Thank you for your continued support. We both enjoy seeing and talking to you on the gates and we look forward to welcoming you back in school hopefully at some point during the Summer Term. Please continue to feel able to contact us through the school office if you have any questions or comments.

Best Wishes,

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