

Headteacher's Blog

Friday 2nd October 2020

Air Ambulance News.

Due to the current pandemic we have decided to postpone our Autumn Term collection but hope to resume this in the Spring.

Dear Parents and Carers,
Welcome to my Headteacher's Blog. It has been an interesting week of sunshine and showers as we head into October! It is fantastic to see how well the children have adjusted to being back in school. I will be 'checking in' with the children and carrying out pupil questionnaires over the next few weeks so that as a staff we can continue to have a clear picture regarding how the children are feeling and then put in places any measures that come from this. I will be also sending out a questionnaire to parents and carers. In the meantime, if you have any comments or suggestions in which you feel we can make school even better please do. Thank you so much to all the parents who have taken the time to give positive feedback over the past few weeks, it is really appreciated.

Best wishes, Belinda Athey - Headteacher.

Job Vacancies

As you will all know, we are currently recruiting for an Early Years Teacher to share Miss Dick's job on a permanent basis (thank you to Mrs Marsden who is currently doing an excellent job in the meantime). We are also recruiting a Deputy Headteacher. I am really proud to say that the response to both positions has been tremendous and I look forward to interviewing candidates before half term. I would also like to thank the children, many of which have been instrumental in helping me with the recruitment process. There is a temporary addition to the school website with all the job information on, including video clips which you may want to take a look at.

Class Assemblies / Harvest.

As you will appreciate, there will be no Harvest Festival this year so the children in each class are going to perform their own assembly in their own class bubble. I will film them and send families their child's class performance via a private YouTube link. This will be happening during the days prior to the half term holiday (week beginning 19th October). As these links will not be posted on our social media pages or school website I would like to include all children but if you do not wish for your child to be filmed for this purpose please let me know by October 9th and alternative arrangements will be made for them.

Parents Consultations.

Rather than have face to face appointments, (which we are unable to do) your child's class teacher will arrange to have a 10 minute telephone conversation with you to discuss how your child has settled in and answer any queries you may have. Please note the majority of these calls will be made during the day as we are still encouraging staff to leave the school premises relatively promptly at the end of the school day to enable Mrs Weatherburn to start her extensive end of the day cleaning regime. This will be happening the week beginning 12th October and appointment slots will be made available to you next week.

A week in pictures ...

Here are some pictures of your children having fun while learning. Many more are on the school photo galleries or class page on the school website and also Tapestry for Early Years. Enjoy!

