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Early Years Newsletter

Friday 5th March 2021

Dear Parents.

We are so pleased to be welcoming the all children back into school next week. To anyone who has been at home throughout this lockdown I hope your child is looking forward to coming back in, and that the zoom call have been a nice introduction to them all. Certainly the children that have been in school have missed their friends and are excited to see them. Well done to all parents and children for putting so much effort into your remote and school learning.

Topic time

This term we will be focusing on "Brilliant books", looking at a range of different books, authors and themes. We began with one of our favourite topics – pants, and this week we have been focusing on the author Julia Donaldson. We will also learning about the author Sue Hendra as well as a traditional tale "The 3 little pigs".

Next week we are going to be doing a special one off week, to help ease the children back in called "Happy hearts, happy minds" a fun filled week, full of happiness, caring and joy at being back together.

Reading

Due to the current circumstances, children at home have not been able to acces our school books. However, your child has their own "Bug club" account and has access to online books. Your child is assigned books that match their current reading level. This is something that we would like to continue when we are all back at school so if you have not managed to log on yet, please check your child's seesaw account or ask your child's class teacher for details. The expectation is that every child is listened to at home three times a week. This can either be a bug club book or a book from school. Please record this in your child's reading record (the 'monkey' books).

Outdoor learning day

On Wednesday 17th March Year R will be having an outdoor learning day. Your child is welcome to wear their own clothes on that day suitable for spending time outside, including waterproof jackets and/or trousers depending on the weather conditions.

PE

Our PE week will be the week beginning 29th March, therefore your child can wear their PE kit all week. If your child has been in school during the lockdown period, we will return any kits that had been sent in.

A few reminders

As you will be aware the school has sent you information about our protective measures to help keep everyone safe. A reminder about our drop off and collection times:

Class	Drop off	Collection
Chestnut	8:40	3:10
Willow	8:50	3:20

Please remember to send your child with a **water bottle daily** and could we ask you check their school uniform to make sure their **name is clearly marked** in the clothing.

Thank you for your ongoing support and co-operation and we look forward to seeing you all next week.

The Early Years Team