

Fishbourne C E Primary School

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Dear Families,

We have enjoyed the spring time weather this week and it has been WONDERFUL to see the children playing out on the field together and making the most of the sunshine! You will have received a letter via parentmail this week about our before and after school sports clubs that will be running throughout the summer term to give our children the opportunity to spend time socially and physically together. We know how important this time will be for the children to enjoy together and hope that this will be a very positive addition to our curriculum. Forest School Friday's will be another opportunity for the children to learn collaboratively outdoors and we know this will enrich their experiences in school hugely.



Change of date! We have decided to move the INSET day we had originally planned for Friday 28th May and this has been rescheduled to Monday 5th July. The focus of this INSET will be on the moderation of our teacher assessments which are shared with you at the end of each academic year. Our focus at the moment is on ensuring the children have the best possible learning experiences with lots of opportunities to revisit prior learning and building in new learning. We constantly assess the children's learning through questioning, talk and looking at their progress in their books and this is a very important part of the way in which we personalise learning. We are currently planning how we will report to our families at the end of the academic year and look forward to sharing this with you during the summer term.

Covid Update:

We continue to follow the risk assessment that is in place to keep our school community as safe as possible during the pandemic. Thank you for the support you have shown our school by following the guidance that has been put in place. It is essential that we continue to do all we can to protect the children, families and staff who come to our school. We would like to take this opportunity to remind you that if you, or any member of your family, have one of the three symptoms of Covid-19 all members of your household must self-isolate and book a PCR Covid test for the member showing symptoms!



The symptoms are:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- a loss of or changed sense of smell or taste

Information about accessing a PCR test can be found here: <u>https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test</u>

We are aware that we may have a number of households in which a family member may be unwell and therefore parents may not have the capacity to support a child with home learning while also caring for other family members. Instead, in these circumstances, a 10 day core-skills learning pack will be provided for each year group which will focus on













consolidating key knowledge and skills in maths, writing and reading. Children can access these packs at any point during this period of isolation and do as much or as little learning from them as is suitable in their circumstances. We would encourage those children who are well and able to complete the learning to do so.

We will be continuing with no non-essential visitors in the school building after the Easter break. However, in our most recent review of the Risk Assessment with our governing body, we agreed to welcome visitors who enrich the children's learning to work with classes outside, with appropriate social distancing.



Uniforms:

As part of the roadmap to re-opening, we anticipate that non-essential shops will be re-opening their doors from April 12th and we would ask families to ensure that the children return in the summer term in correct school uniforms, including school shoes.

Children in Key Stage 1 have been asked to wear PE kits to school on the day they have their PE lesson. Please make sure your child is wearing their correct PE kit with their school jumper on these days.

Our school library:

A huge thank you to each family who has so generously gifted to us. At Fishbourne, we LOVE to read and inspire our children to devour great books! We would <u>love</u> your children to grow up with the same love of books that is shared by so many of us! Keeping our library and classrooms fully stocked with books is really important and so we invite you to donate a book to our school library if you possibly can. We will put a special bookplate into the book thanking your family for your donation to our school. We have set up an Amazon Wish List from which you can support us in this way are able to do so: https://amzn.eu/j1dFX85

"A book is a gift you can open again and again."

Garrison Keillor

Next week:

We are very much looking forward to a jam-packed final week of the spring term. Moira will be joining us on Zoom on Wednesday to lead an Easter service with the children joining live from their classrooms. On Thursday, we will enjoy celebrating our Fishbourne World Book Day and Sophy Henn will be joining us on Zoom to update us on what she's been up to since we last saw her! We will also be drawing the winners of the Easter wreath raffle and Easter Bunny competition!

A reminder of a couple of key dates:

Thursday 1st April: Fishbourne 'world' Book Day. Dress up as a superhero, inspired by Sophy Henn's new superhero themed series, Pizazz.

Thursday 1st April: Break up for the Easter holiday.

Monday 19th April: Return to school for the start of the summer term. Sports Clubs start from today!

Meet the Teacher meetings via Zoom - these are an opportunity to hear more about the learning planned for your children during the summer ter. We have endeavoured to ensure that as much as possible, your meeting does not clash with the pick-up for after school sports but it isn't possible to do this with every combination of sibling groups! Reception: Tuesday 20th April 3.45 - 4.15pm

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Year 3: Monday 19th April 3.45 - 4.15pm

Year 4: Wednesday 21st April 3.45 - 4.15pm

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Thursday 29th April: FOFS meeting- all warmly welcome!

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After the Easter break, we will be returning to our usual format of monthly school newsletters. Have a lovely weekend! Naomi Day

