



SANDWICH INFANT SCHOOL

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Newsletter February 2021

Dear Parents,

It seems a while since I wrote my last newsletter as we have been emailing you information. I would like to thank all the parents who took the time to email me during my recent absence – it was much appreciated.

Lateral Flow Testing

I have sent you the updated Risk Assessment and Operational Guidance. All staff now have access to home-testing twice a week. We are aware that these tests are not 100% accurate so will ensure that we continue to take all the safety precautions as before. A positive result would still mean we have to shut a bubble but we hope that less people would have had the chance to become infected.

Home Learning

Miss Bennett is monitoring home learning on a weekly basis. Although the percentage of children engaging is rising in each year group, there are still some children who appear to be doing no work. Please contact us if you are having difficulties either accessing planning or uploading work. We have been very fortunate to have been gifted some second hand laptops and tablets by one of our governors, Dan Friend, which we have lent to families. It should be possible to access some more if you are struggling, so get in contact.

Art Week

Art week was due to start on 8th March. We have decided to move it to the week beginning 24th May as we are extremely hopeful that all the children will be back in school then. The week is always followed by our art exhibition with all the children's

canvases and is judged by members of the Arts Society Sandwich. The winners are displayed in St Peters Church during Sandwich Arts Week.

Requests

Do you have any toddler puzzles which you no longer need – the wooden ones where you fit the appropriate shape in the hole? We need some for a child in Reception. We would appreciate Lego or toy cars for the playground if anyone knows of some that could be given away. Also any outgrown children's wellies size 7 upwards.

Home Certificates

This week we are introducing Home Learning Certificates which will be sent to children who are engaging with remote learning every day. Perhaps it will be an incentive for a reluctant learner!

Thank you again for all your support – we miss you and think of you often.

Libby Wood

Dates for your Diary

Friday 5 th February 2021	Wear Something that makes you Feel Good!
Monday 8 th February 2021	Beginning of Safety Week
Thursday 11 th February 2021	Safer Internet Day
Friday 12 th February 2021	End of Term Three
Monday 22 nd February 2021	Beginning of Term Four for Teachers (Staff Development Day)
Tuesday 23 rd February 2021	Beginning of Term Four for Children
Thursday 4 th March 2021	World Book Day – Design and Donate
Tuesday 16 th March 2021 and Thursday 18 th March 2021	Parents Evenings
Friday 19 th March 2021	Red Nose Day – Dress up as a Superhero
Thursday 1 st April	End of Term Four
Monday 19 th April 2021	Beginning of Term Five
Monday 3 rd May 2021	Bank Holiday (no school)
Monday 24 th May 2021	Art Week
Friday 28 th May 2021	End of Term Five
Monday 7 th June 2021	Beginning of Term Six for Teachers (Staff Development Day)
Tuesday 8 th June 2021	Beginning of Term Six for Children
Monday 14 th June 2021	Beginning of Sports Week
Friday 18 th June 2021	Sports day
Thursday 1 st July 2021	Move Up (Transition) Day
Wednesday 21 st July 2021	End of Term Six