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## Weekly Newsletter – Friday 26th June 2020

### Message from Mrs Morrison

Dear Parents/Carers

As we come to the end of another week, we feel grateful for the beautiful weather which has enabled us to spend some learning time outside - often in the shade!

Just to keep you updated, I still have not received any guidance from the government on plans for September so I, like you, remain in the dark. We hope to have the guidance soon so that we can prepare and keep you informed.

We have a few surveys out this week. May I remind: Current Year 3 and Y5 parents to respond to the survey regarding Residential trips for next year. Please reply by Monday 29th June.

All parents from Class R to Class 5 to let us know if you would like your child to attend a Transition Session by Wednesday 1st July.

Current year 6 to let us know if they will be attending the leavers afternoon on Friday 17th July by Monday 6th July.

Have a lovely weekend and take care.  
Mrs Morrison



### Keeping Children safe online

We strongly recommend that you read this updated guidance from the government.

[Updated guidance on keeping children safe online](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-keeping-children-safe-online)

With the Home Office and the Department for Culture, Media and Sport, we have updated advice and guidance to help parents and carers to keep children safe online during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak to include new information on apps to help children stay safe online.

The advice and guidance can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-keeping-children-safe-online>



### New guidance published on keeping children safe from abuse and harm

We have jointly published new guidance with the Home Office, the Department for Culture, Media and Sport, and Public Health England on keeping children safe from abuse and harm. This guidance brings together sources of information about the main risks children may be vulnerable to during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and signposts you to help and support available.

The guidance can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-keeping-children-safe-from-abuse-and-harm>

### Safeguarding Reminder

Our safeguarding leads are available in school as usual.

Please contact Mrs Morrison, Mrs S Hale or Mrs Loxley if you have any concerns around the safety of your child or any other child. We are here to help.



### INSET Day

The school was due to have an INSET Day on Friday 10th July. This has now been cancelled and the childcare groups and Reception Group B will continue as normal.



### Uniform

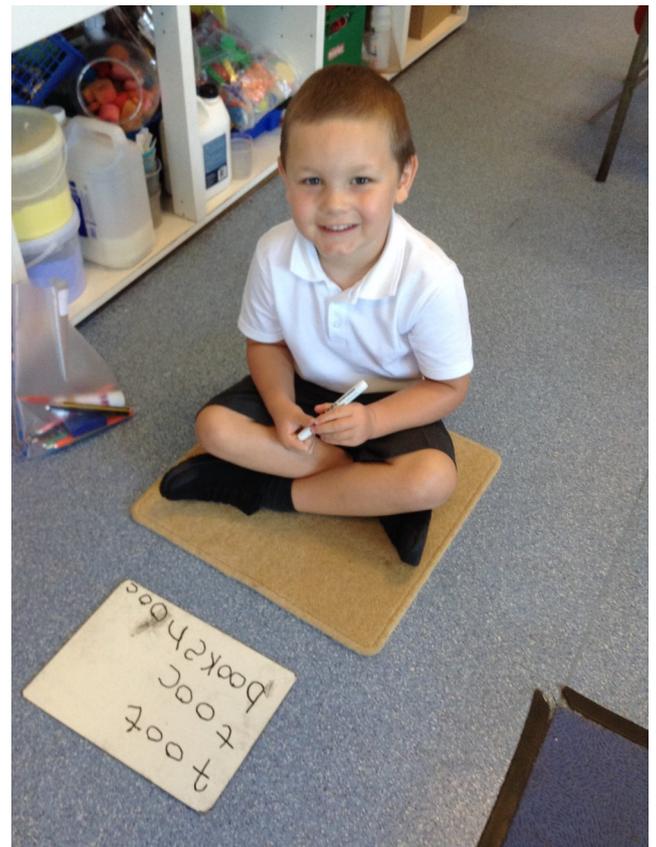
Please find attached a leaflet from Bucks School Wear explaining their new procedures for visiting their shop in Southern Road and arrangements for ordering uniform.

## Zebras

### Year 1 Artwork

The Princesses and Dragons (Year 1a) have been having fun creating their own natural artworks based around Jack and the Beanstalk! Can you see if you can spot any of the key features from the fairy tale in their pictures? We thoroughly enjoyed sitting in the shade of the tree in the Peace Garden to do our art activity.

This week the Zebra's have been completing work based on the story 'What the Ladybird Heard' by Julia Donaldson. We made our own maps, like the robbers had in the story and learnt about doubling using ladybird spots. We have also been working hard on our phonics and been completing daily yoga sessions.



## Flamingos

This week the Flamingos have been learning all about doubling and halving. We painted our very own doubles ladybirds! We have been focusing on learning all of our sounds in phonics and using these to write lots of different words. We have practised writing lots of different 'tricky' words.

This week we also read 'What the Ladybird Heard' and were thinking all about rhyming words. We are looking forward to looking at measurement in our Maths next week and reading the book 'Rumble in the Jungle'.



### Recommended Resource

The following website has free workbooks for home learning based around different countries of the world. Each one contains 12-15 pages of activities for kids, themed around each individual country.

<https://deliberatetravel.com/workbooks>



### Prayerful Reflections

God of sunshine and Lord of rain,

You send both to make the fruit and flowers grow.

Your goodness fills the fields and gardens,

Let it fill us as we grow and make our lives a harvest for you. Amen

He spreads clouds over the sky; he provides rain for the earth and makes grass grow on the hills. Psalm 147:8

Please follow the link to find a reflection activity based on the theme of 'water'.

<https://www.oxford.anglican.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/W-6-Water.pdf>

### Updated guidance for parents and carers on educational settings during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak

We have updated our guidance for parents and carers on what they need to know about early years providers, schools, and colleges during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak to align with policy announcements already made, for example, the flexibility for primary schools to welcome back additional pupils where they have the capacity to do so. We have also changed the layout of the page in response to user feedback to help parents and carers navigate to the information they need.

The guidance can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak>



## **Pupil premium**

Your child's school may be entitled to pupil premium funding if you receive one of the following benefits:

Income Support  
Income Based Job Seekers Allowance  
Child Tax Credit Only (with income up to £16,190) with no element of Working Tax Credit  
National Asylum Seekers Support  
Guarantee Element of the State Pension Credit  
Employment and Support Allowance (income related)  
Universal Credit (income dependant)

Please mail [office@stone.bucks.sch.uk](mailto:office@stone.bucks.sch.uk) confidentially if you are receiving any of the above benefits and ask Mrs Loxley to check if you qualify. As well as the school receiving money to support your child's learning, your child can benefit from Free School Meals if you wish them to.

### **Dates for 2019/20**

Summer Term 2020: Monday April 20th to Tuesday 21st July 2020

### **Dates for 2020/21**

Autumn Term 2020: Wednesday 2nd September to Friday 18th December

Half Term: Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October

Spring Term 2021: Tuesday 5th January to Thursday 1st April

Half Term: Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February

Summer Term 2021: Monday 19th April to Wednesday 21st July

Half Term: Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June

### **Inset Days 2020/21**

Tuesday 1st September 2020, Monday 4th January 2021 plus 3 others to be allocated by the school.