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## ***One family branching out together***

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Dear Parents and Carers



Welcome back to a busy summer term! We hope you enjoyed a lovely Easter break with your families. Last Friday, you will have received the termly Class Newsletter via email, full of information on what your child will be learning in each class and housekeeping news about homework and PE days. If you have any questions at all or need to contact your child's teacher to make an appointment, please call the school office or email Mrs Obridge

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We would like to extend a big welcome to Albie, Harriet and Ryan who have joined us in Nursery last week and sadly, we have to say goodbye to Jak from Class 3, who left us at Easter – good luck in your new school Jak!

### **Staffing update:**

Now that the threat of Covid has reduced in our local area, we are able to continue the recruitment process that we started in September for the permanent Class 2 position. This was originally halted due to the pandemic impacting upon the recruitment process and Miss Bowers stepped in to navigate the class through the academic year.

We aim to recruit a Class 2 teacher, who will also be the federation SENDCO (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Co-ordinator), to join us in July for some transition days before starting fully in September. We aim to update you when we return after the May half-term holiday in June.

### **Recent news:**



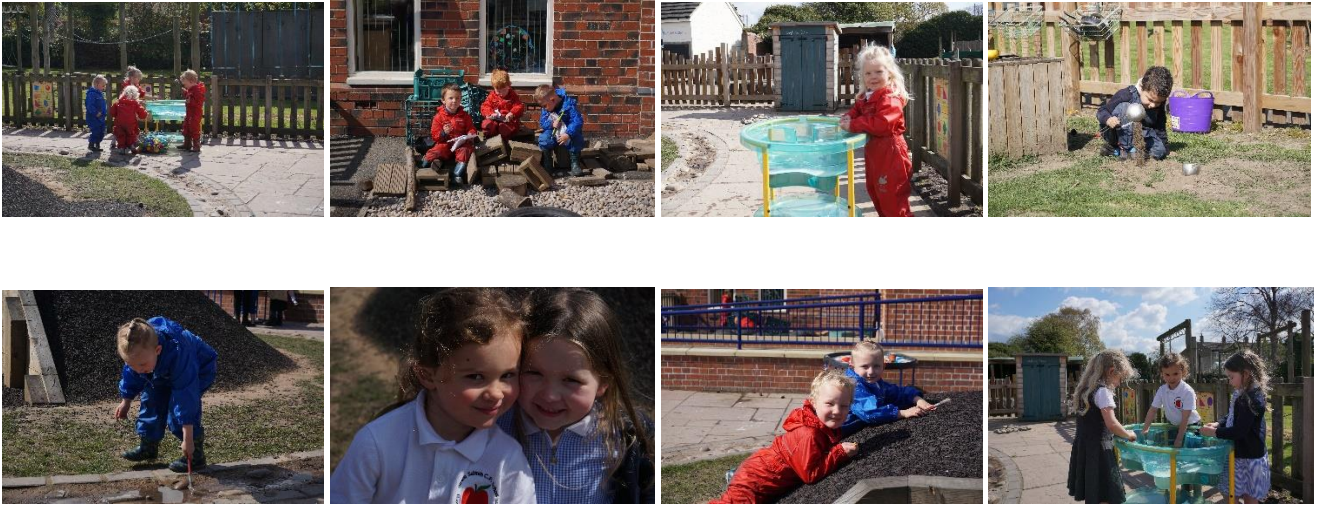
#### **Comic Relief Day – Funny is power!**

Towards the end of last term, we supported Comic Relief Day in school by wearing red and dressing up as superheroes. Thank you for your donations via ParentPay – we raised a grand total of **£95.00!** The children had a great day.



### **Sunshine at last!**

Class 1 have really enjoyed playing outside together in the sunshine last week and it looks set to continue to be lovely weather for a few more days. The children will also be excited to see some new equipment and play items being introduced to their outdoor play area over the next couple of weeks.



### **Upcoming events:**

#### **MarvellousMe**



We are excited to let you know that we will soon be launching this fantastic new initiative, which will further help to improve and enable communication from school to home and build on parental engagement. MarvellousMe focuses on teacher to parent communication, by sharing great learning and positive behaviours. As parents and carers, you will be able to quickly find out about what your child has been praised for in school, which will hopefully prompt constructive conversations at home. More information will follow, with details on how parents/carers can sign up to the app and access the programme.



#### **School Photographs**

On Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May (the day we return to school after May Day Bank Holiday) Phototronics will be coming in to take individual, class and Year 6 group photos. Please ensure your child is wearing full school uniform on the day, and no trainers, hoodies or extravagant hair bows etc.



**School lunches:** we will be having a Fakeaway-themed celebration school lunch on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May. Mrs Jones will be cooking Roast Crispy chicken bites, potato wedges, veg sticks, ketchup and a pitta pocket – followed by ice-cream roll and peaches.

Please let the office know if your child would like to choose this option, if they would normally have packed lunches or a baguette/jacket potato school dinner. A reminder that the school dinner charge, for Nursery pupils and Year 3 children and above, is currently £2.75.

## Royal Mail's Heroes Stamp Design Competition

School has registered to take part in the Royal Mail's Heroes Stamp Design Competition. This is a national art competition from Royal Mail, to honour the heroes of the coronavirus pandemic.



*For more than 50 years Royal Mail's Special Stamp programme has commemorated British history and achievement. Stamps have also been issued to honour the achievements of many British people. Often, the people who appear on stamps are already famous. They include scientists and explorers, writers, artists, musicians, athletes, and Prime Ministers.*

*Since the coronavirus pandemic began, there have been many people who have done great things. Many of them are not famous, but they have done extraordinary work. These are the people who have helped us all through a really difficult time. Some are frontline workers in healthcare, others look after elderly or vulnerable people. Millions of key workers have kept the country going when most of us were told to stay home for our own safety. And there have been many people who volunteered to help people in their communities who needed help or support. We think that what these people have done makes them heroes, so Royal Mail wants to honour them by producing a set of eight stamps.*

*The stamps will feature designs created by eight school-aged children. We are asking our young designers to think about who their hero or heroes are, and to then design a stamp in their honour. A special panel of judges will pick the winning designs. The final eight stamps will be sent to Her Majesty the Queen before they can be printed and issued. **The closing date for handing in entries to school will be Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2021.***

More information will be given to the children once we receive the competition resource packs.



### Reading in unusual places

We have only received 2 pupil photos so far and would still love you to send in any photographs of children reading a favourite book – in an unusual place/setting. We are planning to use these photos for a display in the Sensory Room, which also houses our school library. Please send any photos to Mrs Obridge – [admin.burton@wrfed.co.uk](mailto:admin.burton@wrfed.co.uk)

## Housekeeping



### Drinks in school

Please can children bring in a water bottle daily, especially with the weather hopefully warming up! These can be refilled throughout the day at our plumbed-in water station. Please only send in water and **not** juice etc, as this goes against our Healthy School's policy which can be found on the school website:

*Fresh, chilled drinking water is available for all pupils throughout the day and pupils will be encouraged to drink water at frequent intervals. All packed lunch pupils have access to water at lunch time meaning there is no need for an additional drink to be brought as part of a packed lunch. Pupils are encouraged to bring a water bottle every day that they can refill, as necessary.*

*Bottles go home at the end of every day to be washed and returned. Covid restrictions – pupils should bring in their own named water bottle from home and this will be sent home every night.*

***No drinks other than water will be brought into school by pupils unless recommended by a doctor for medical needs.***



### PE Lessons

A reminder that **Class 1** and **Class 3's** PE lessons are held on **Thursdays** and **Class 2** have reverted back to **Tuesdays**. Children should come to school dressed in their PE kit and remain in their kit all day, rather than change. Please ensure that your child has appropriate clothing for the weather.



**Pupil absences:** it is really important that you please make sure you telephone or email the school before 9.15am to notify us of any child absence, with a reason for their absence. Equally, we ask if your child is unwell and you have called on the first day of their absence, we also require a call on each subsequent day until they are well enough to be back in school. If we do not receive any communication, by phone or email, we start our process of contacting all of the contacts allocated to your child and if we still haven't received any information, the Children Missing in Education protocol is triggered. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

### Medicines in school



If you require your child to have medicine administered during a school day, please complete a 'Parental Request for Medicine in School' form, which is available from the School Office. We are not allowed to administer any medicine without this being completed fully and signed by a parent/carer and the Headteacher/Head of School. If your child requires a course of antibiotics for example, over a period of a few days, please ensure that the medicine is handed directly into the School Office each morning. Whilst we can administer Calpol (or similar Paracetamol-based medicines), we are not insured to administer any Ibuprofen medication sent in, unless this is prescribed by a doctor.

### OOSC – Pippins and Orchard Club drop-offs and collections



We do have places available for our after-school provision – please contact us with any provision you may require.

For Pippins Breakfast Club, you do not need to book ahead and Mrs Wilson opens the main School Reception door at **8am**. We cannot permit children onto the premises before this time, due to insurance restrictions. **Children must be brought to the door by an adult and**

**handed over to a member of staff; please do not park on the road and allow your child to enter the school grounds by themselves.**

And for the Orchard After-School club, please knock or ring the OOSC doorbell and your children will be brought to the main school Reception door by Mrs Laycock, to be collected and signed out by Parents/Carers.

All payments are added to ParentPay within the same week.

**Orchard afternoon after-school club:** It would be helpful if families could give us an idea of any sessions you may require, by emailing and booking in advance. Equally, we would be grateful if you could please inform school by 12 noon if you are cancelling any pre-booked provision for that same day, otherwise you may incur a charge for that session. Thank you.



**Hattie says:** 'I like playing with my friends and I like going to the field and the big playground'.

**India says:** 'I like playing and not having to do any work at Orchard Club'.

All the children that attend, enjoy having snack time and having a choice with activities.



### Outstanding ParentPay debts

Please could parents and carers ensure that any outstanding ParentPay debts are cleared. Please keep an eye on your child's account and make payment as soon as possible, thank you. Across the federation, there is an agreed maximum debt per child, which is £30.00. This includes any nursery fees, school dinners and out of school club payments.

Along with being able to add credit to your parent account, please note that ParentPay also offers an Auto-top up facility. There is guidance on how to set this up on your parent page as you log in to your account. This facility allows your account to auto-top up if your child's lunch or OOSC account drops below a certain threshold which you set, so that you don't have to keep logging in and paying. It can be cancelled by account holders at any time and the system automatically registers our school term dates, so will only top-up for days that school is open. Please see the link below for further information.

[Bank Transfer and Auto top-up > ParentPay Support](#)

Yours sincerely



Craig Bealey  
Head of School

**Important dates for your diary**

Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2021	Bank Holiday – school closed
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	Class and Individual photographs by Phototronics
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	Takeaway school dinner Day
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	School Deadline for entries for Royal Mail Heroes Stamp Design Competition
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	Break up for half-term
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	Staff Training Day 4 – school closed
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	School re-opens
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2021	Break up for Summer
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	Staff Training Day 5 – school closed