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Principal Mrs Valerie Rose



22nd January 2021

Holiday Dates 2020/2021

NON PUPIL DAYS

Friday 12th February

Monday 5th July

February Half Term:

Pupils Finish: Thur 11th Feb

Pupils Return: Mon 22nd Feb

Easter Break

Pupils Finish: Fri 26th March

Pupils Return: Mon 12th April

May Bank Holiday

3rd May

May Half Term:

Pupils Finish: Fri 28th May

Pupils Return: Mon 7th June

Summer Break:

Pupils Finish Tues 20th July

SCHOOL UNIFORM

School uniform and book bags are available to purchase online at:

www.theschooluniformspecialists.com Code is RAV501

Dear Parent/Carer

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

What a start to 2021!

Firstly, I want to express my huge thanks to all parents for helping our children with the transition from learning in school to remote learning so well. We know it can be incredibly hard for you to juggle work commitments and provide support for children in their learning on a daily basis; you have been doing an incredible job. As you know we are providing remote learning through Zoom. Due to the increased time children will have at home, we have reviewed what we will be offering online and new timetables will start from Monday 25th January. This is for two reasons.

1. **An eye health charity is recommending people learn the "20-20-20" rule to protect their sight, as lockdown has increased people's time using screens.** Fight for Sight advises looking at something 20 feet away for 20 seconds, every 20 minutes you look at a screen. We have built regular breaks into the timetables to address this issue.
2. In order to accommodate teaching in school alongside Zoom lessons, we have had to make some changes to lunchtimes to ensure that pupils in school and at home get enough time to have their lunch.

As you know, we are open to teach critical worker and priority children as well as providing online learning for children at home and this has been a big task but we are making improvements every day with this. It is a worrying time for all of us and I know that by minimising children on site, we can keep our staff and your children at a reduced risk of infection, as well as reduce the chance of Coronavirus being transmitted to others in your home.

Mrs V Rose
Principal

ZOOM CALLS

Please can parents be reminded that when your child is on zoom any chat in the background can be heard by the other children so please be mindful of this when your child is online. Also please make sure your child is wearing suitable clothing whilst on zoom as other children and their families can see your child whilst online.