

# Welford on Avon Primary School

## 5th February 2021

Dear Parents,

I hope you are all keeping well. Another week of lockdown has passed and we are encouraged by the rising number of people receiving vaccines around the country, as an indication that the tide may be turning. However, we must continue to follow guidelines and recommendations for now, to ensure that we all remain safe, in the hope of schools being fully opened in the next few weeks and a brighter future for all.

### Children's Mental Health Week

This week was Children's Mental Health Week with the theme 'Express yourself.' Class teachers have been delivering sessions to the pupils and there are lots of activities through the following link:

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/parents-and-carers/>

### Creative Learning Day, Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February

Expressing yourself is about finding ways to share feelings, thoughts or ideas, through creativity. This could be through art, music, writing, poetry, dance, drama, photography and film and doing activities that make you feel good.

Next Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February will be a 'Creative Learning Day' and we will be uploading resources and links for your child to follow. There will be a menu of activities including art, music, writing and dance, as well as ideas for outdoor activities.

**There will be no live teaching and your child can choose the format of their day.**

The menu is just for ideas, but you can spend the day as you wish, if the weather is nice, children could spend time outdoors. Everyone can be as creative as they want, in the hope of improved mental wellbeing.

### Drop Off / Collect

On Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February between 8.30am and 9.30am and 3.00pm to 3.30pm, we will be opening our gates to allow one parent from each household to come into school, to drop off reading books and resources and collect new ones. The class teachers will be in touch via Teams to let you know what you need to drop off and/or collect.

### Whole School Learning Assembly

Our whole school assembly will take place every Monday at 9.30am. I will send an invitation out every Monday morning through the WELFORD ON AVON TILE.

JUST REMEMBER, FOLLOW THE INVITATION AND DO NOT PRESS 'MEETING GENERAL' OTHERWISE YOU WILL START A SEPARATE MEETING.

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The remaining assemblies for this half term are:

<b>Class Lockdown Learning Assemblies Spring 2021 First Half Term</b>	
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Year 3 Davenport @ 9.30am
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Year 6 Davenport @1.30pm

### **Awards**

During our Monday assembly, we present awards to acknowledge the children's efforts. At some point during the year, all children will be recognised for their amazing contributions. In addition to the joy of receiving an award, we encourage our pupils to recognise and celebrate, as part of their life skills, the success and achievements of others.

### **Reception Davenport**

The Reception Assembly yesterday was absolutely wonderful, it was a pleasure to watch the children recite the poems they had written, linked to the theme 'Express Yourself'. It was quite moving to witness just how well they are doing during these difficult days. The children looked smart in their school uniforms, confirming their togetherness, even though they are apart. Well done to Mrs Cowley and her team, thank you to the Reception parents for your support with home learning and a very big congratulations to Davenport Reception pupils for being AMAZING!

### **Assemblies**

- Class Teachers will have a registration assembly every morning at 8.55am,
- We will have a whole school assembly every Monday at 9.30am. (Invitation will be out up weekly,
- We will continue to have learning assemblies on a Thursday morning but they will move to house **class** assemblies and **not whole school**,
- All invitation for whole school assemblies can be accessed through the Welford on Avon Team. You will find a calendar date and a blue button to join,
- Class Assemblies can be accessed through your class team tile,
- PLEASE DO NOT PRESS 'MEETING' in the top right hand corner of the screen as this will set up a new GENERAL meeting. You will be in the wrong meeting!

### **Parents' Evenings**

Spring Parents' Evenings will take place on Tuesday 9th February and Wednesday 10th February and will be held remotely using the Teams platform. Please remember to log in on time and be ready for your meeting. The meetings are only 10 minutes so please stick to the timings. If you need additional time, you can set up another meeting after half term.

### **Laptops**

If you are struggling with technology at home, please contact the school as we may be able to loan you a school laptop. We have been very lucky to secure additional laptops from the DFE and the local authority.

**If you need help or support during these difficult days please contact the school or look on the school website for help and advice.**

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Leeman and Team

## Guidance update

### GOV.UK - Self-isolation information 10 days from the day after contact with the individual tested positive

- If someone with symptoms tests negative for COVID-19 they should stay at home until they are recovered from their illness.
- The only exception to return following a negative test result is where an individual is separately identified as a close contact of a confirmed case, when they will need to self-isolate for 10 days from the date of that contact.
- If someone with symptoms tests positive, they should follow the guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection and must continue to self-isolate for at least 10 days from the onset of their symptoms and return only if they do not have symptoms other than cough or loss of sense of smell/taste, as a cough or anosmia can last for several weeks once the infection has gone.
- The 10-day period starts from the day when they first became ill or the day they had a test if they have no symptoms. If, after 10 days they still have a high temperature, they should continue to self-isolate until their temperature returns to normal.
- Other members of their household should all self-isolate for the full 10 days from the day after the individual tested positive.

#### Emergency Contact Details

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