

Nacton Church of England Primary

Newsletter

Summer No.3



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Welcome back: We hope that you all managed to have a bit of a rest over the half term holiday. We've now got all the eligible year groups in school. We are averaging around 50% of those year groups in, which makes socially distancing in the classrooms that bit easier. It is lovely to hear the sounds of more pupils in school, though it is very different from March. We are continuing to provide home learning activities for pupils not in school. We'll also maintain links on Class Dojo and Tapestry but this will be reduced as all staff are now teaching in school.

Time for yourself: Over the last few weeks I have been thinking of how the changes that we have faced to our everyday life can impact on us. Lots of people have been saying how their emotions vary each day and some are finding it harder than others. I think that we are all finding ourselves 'juggling' so much more than normal, especially suddenly having to home school your children, alongside the emotional upheaval we are all facing. Although I know it may be hard, I think it is very important that you manage to have some time to yourself; whether going for a walk, enjoying reading a book in the sun or something else that gives you a chance to reset. I know how well all of our parents/carers are doing at supporting their children's education and emotional wellbeing, I just hope you are doing the same for yourself.

Year 3/4 teachers: Mrs Boyle has now begun her maternity leave, thank you to the 'Leopards' who were able to share some best wishes messages on Class Dojo. All the staff are eagerly awaiting news of her new arrival, the staff are currently divided on whether she will have a boy or a girl! We will share with you when we know more. I am delighted that we successfully appointed Mrs Beasley who will be joining Mrs Henderson while Mrs Boyle is on maternity leave. While Year 3 and 4 pupils aren't back in school Mrs Beasley will be teaching our key worker pupils alongside Mrs Henderson.

Behaviour Policy: Please see the addendum to our Behaviour Policy. This is in relation to the expectations of pupils in school to ensure we keep the school as safe as possible for pupils and staff. Please ensure your child is aware of these rules, they are discussed in school as well.

Email system: We have been looking at the possibility of getting an email system, as well as an online payment system in place for a while. This is something that our Multi-Academy Trust are looking into on a wider scale for all of their schools. While we wait for this we have signed up to Teachers2Parents emailing as well as the texting system. We are using it already, so do keep an eye for emails from us. We have had a few parents not receiving emails, so do let us know if you are missing these. We've been keen to do this, to reduce the amount of paper we are sending home, as well as currently a need to reduce the amount of items go between home and school.

School uniform: We are now using a new supplier for our school uniform; Brigade Clothing Limited. We have had samples of the uniform and have been impressed with the quality. We've also been impressed with the customer service we've received so far. If you do need to place an order please click on the link on our website, it can be found under the 'parents' tab.

Useful Contact Numbers

Looking for advice on your child's medical needs? Contact:

School nurse: 01473 275838

School Nurse Chathealth text number 07507 333356

Are you concerned about the welfare or safety of a child? Contact:

Customer First: **0808 800 4005**