THIS WEEK'S NEWS

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Medicine in School

It is school policy to only administer medicines that are prescribed by the doctor (including a prescription label). If your child requires this medicine in school time, please ensure you have spoken to a member of staff and completed a Medical Form; you can find it on our website or by clicking **here**: Please do not put medicine in your child's book bag.

Reminder If your child is asthmatic or has an Epipen, please ensure it is in school and in date.

Contact Details

Please let us know if you wish to update your address, telephone number or email address. As you know, we have moved to a paperless information system where possible. For people who do not have an email address we will continue to send paper copies of newsletters etc.

If you haven't joined **Parent Hub** please ensure you do as all communication is happening this way for 2020.



Dear Parents & Carers

It has been a very busy couple of weeks since the last newsletter. The children are much more back into the swing of things and learning is starting to blossom after the long break.

In school, the children have been meeting new characters: the Pawsome Piggies. Here is a little introduction to them from Mrs Hill - our English Lead...

Mrs Ross

Our English lessons have begun with a great deal of excitement. New furry faces have appeared in classrooms throughout the school! The 'Pawsome Piggies' have arrived to help the children build on their comprehension skills. Each guinea pig has a specific focus, along with some tools to support the children's learning, and not just in English - they are extremely useful in lots of other subjects too! The children have responded well to our new characters, so please ask your child to tell you all about them.



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Meet the Pawsome Piggies:

Wordy Walter helps us to work out the meaning of unknown





words.

helps us to retrieve key information from a text or film.

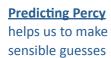
Sequencing Sid (or Summarising Sid, in KS2) helps us to briefly say what a text/film is about and

put key events in order.



Horace the Hunter's monocle comes in handy we need to hunt for clues, or hidden

messages in a text/film.





Hello Yellow - Come Wearing Yellow!

On Friday 9th October it is 'Hello Yellow Day'! This is a national day to support and raise awareness of young people's mental health. On this day, the children are invited to



come to school wearing something YELLOW! Please click on the website link below if you would like to find out more and to make a donation to this worthy charity should you wish to.

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Friends of the School

We haven't been able to hear much from our wonderful PTA during lockdown, but the Friends of the School are keen to get 'socially distanced' fundraising going on. Mrs Blakey stepped down last year after years of hard work for the team. However, Katy Nicholls, one of our parents, has now taken on the role of Chair of the PTA and wanted to share the following message with you:

"Could you spare a little of your time to join our wonderful team? We are looking for new members to help with fund raising for the school. We are holding our Annual General Meeting virtually in November 2020. We would love to see you there!

Please email Katy if you would like more information and would like to attend the meeting"

Katenicholls10@gmail.com

Remote Learning Plan

This week, we have sent out our Remote Learning Plan and published it on our school website. Also, all parents in Year 1-6 should have received a Parent hub with a link to give

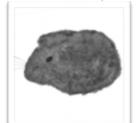
permission for their children to take part in Microsoft Teams video lessons. These lessons are not happening yet, but we want everything to be in place in case of a bubble closure, or a local lockdown. If your child is in Year 1-6, please make sure that you complete the Parent Hub survey to give your permission.



In KS2, <u>Connie</u>
<u>Comparison</u> helps us to make comparisons between characters, themes, books or events.

She helps us to recognise how characters have changed throughout a text.

In KS2, <u>Subtle Sophie</u> helps us to think about the effect that words and phrases have on the reader.



We now have new House Captains!

Not to be hampered by being confined to a bubble, our Year 6 children wrote and produced videos to campaign for votes.

Congratulations to all the

children who took part and showed the courage to put themselves forward. The children throughout the school have voted and the following children are the new captains and vice captains:

Blue team: Captain - Isla Vice - Rihanne
Green Team: Captain - Katy Vice - Leon
Purple Team: Captain - Harry Vice - Evelyn
Red Team: Captain - Isabella Vice - Lois

Term Dates *Corrected.

TERM 1: 2020/2021

Thursday 3rd September 2020 until Thursday 22nd October 2020

TERM 2: 2020/2021

Monday 2nd November 2020 until Thursday 17th December 2020

TERM 3: 2020/2021

Monday 4th January 2021 until Friday 12th February 2021

TERM 4: 2020/2021

Monday 22nd February 2021 until Wednesday 31st March 2021

TERM 5: 2020/2021

Monday 19th April 2021 until

Friday 28th May 2021

TERM 6: 2020/2021

Monday 7th June 2021 until Wednesday 21st July 2021

A Look into our Learning This Week

What an exciting surprise in EYFS this week! The Home Corner had transformed into 'The Three Bears' Cottage'! The Ladybirds and Butterflies have been learning all about Numberblock 3 this week, so we decided to act out the story of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'!







Year 2 have been learning a dance to 'Can't Stop the Feeling' from 'Trolls the Movie' during PE. Look at their super dance moves!

Tennis in the sunshine for Mrs Bailey's class this week! What a glorious day it's been for outdoor PE! I wonder if we have many days of sunshine left before winter?

