

Dear Parents

Well done to all of our families and children with their continued engagement with remote learning. Staff have nothing but praise for the children's engagement with the learning tasks set, and the creativity and efforts going into the remote learning.

We have all sensed from messages and phone calls home to families that it has all been a bit more challenging this week—whether that is motivation, effort or organisation of learning. We really do understand and appreciate the huge efforts that are going in at home to ensure that your children are engaging with remote learning. Please do chat with the staff when they ring you to see if they have any tips or advice to help support your children at home.

Have a great weekend and enjoy a walk (what else is there to do!).

The staff in school have been inspired this week by Charlie Mackesy the author and illustrator of the book "The boy, the mole, the fox and the horse." I hope you all also appreciate the message.



Mrs Murrey

Staffing

From Monday Miss Albert will be working with Rousham class. Miss Albert is a 2nd year BA placement student from Oxford Brookes University. As part of Oxford Brookes work with schools, students are taking part in Lateral Flow Testing to identify any cases of COVID-19 in students. Miss Albert will work with the same system of controls as all our staff within school, observing social distancing and other safety measures.

Staff COVID-19 testing

Next week school staff will be invited to take part in Lateral Flow Testing twice weekly. This asymptomatic testing strategy will help to break the chains of transmission of COVID-19 in education settings by identifying asymptomatic positive cases. Those staff who test positive will then self-isolate, and book a PCR test for confirmation of their result. I will send a letter with further information regarding the Lateral Flow Testing for staff on Monday.



Reading Achievements

Congratulations to the following children for achieving their milestone this week:

	Reception	Nethercote	Harborne	Rousham
25 Reads			Maisie B	
50 Reads	Tommy H			Alfie I
75 Reads			James B	
100 Reads	Lilah B, Laurie L, Skyla T		Sienna I, Ellie L, Pippa M	
125 Reads	Alfie P	Anna H	Grace H	Molly H

Free virtual online safety workshop for parents—8-9pm via Zoom on Wednesday 10th February 2021

Join this live webinar workshop to help you as parents or grandparents understand more about the risks young people face online, and what you can do to support them and to help minimise those risks. We also explain how you can get help if your young person encounters issues online. Lots of great resources and links will be shared during the session. There will be an opportunity at the end to ask questions. This workshop lasts around an hour and will take place exclusively on Zoom. Because this session is being run single-handedly there will be NO ADMISSION after 8pm. You will be able to join the Zoom session from 7:45pm. Places are strictly limited. Book your free place via the link at <https://123parents.oxon.in>

School Lunches

With effect from next week the weekly school lunch menu is as detailed below with vegetables, fresh fruit and salad available every day. Jacket Potato is also an option every day.

We will return to the full menu when all children return to school.

- Monday Chicken Nuggets or Cheese and Tomato Pizza with New Potatoes. The dessert is a Cookie
- Tuesday Past Bolognese or Salmon Fishcake with Potato Wedges. Dessert is Chocolate Cake
- Wednesday Roast Beef/Turkey or Quorn Sausage with Potatoes. Dessert is Waffles and Chocolate Sauce
- Thursday Sausages and Mashed Potato or Macaroni Cheese. Dessert is Flapjack.
- Friday Fish or Quorn Dippers, both with Chips. Dessert is Ice Cream