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Stoneferry Primary School

September Newsletter—Week 3



I am pleased to say that the smooth transition of children getting back into the routines of school is continuing and despite the changes in the way we are operating the children are taking it all in their stride. On Tuesday I had the opportunity to teach our Year 2 class and I was very impressed by their attitudes to learning and their desire to work really hard. I have also spent this morning working in our Year 6 class, who are working extremely hard on getting back to the high standards which they were reaching before we closed the school. Also, during learning walks around each class there is a clear will to learn and to make up for lost time. On Wednesday afternoon I visited every classroom for a short spell and it was great to see the engagement of the children in the tasks they were being set. The children deserve a lot of credit for this and how they have adapted to everything we have asked of them. Soon we will be moving into Phase 2 of our Recovery Curriculum which will involve precise teaching to fill the gaps that have been created in the children's knowledge.

In my virtual assembly on Monday I discussed the importance of friendship, especially in the present climate, and today I have awarded certificates to children who have gone the extra mile to be a good friend and who have been noticed for doing so by their teacher. Well done to everyone.

Mr Raw, Head of School

CENSUS DAY

On Thursday 1st October, we will be having a special lunch for the children. This meal will be free for all children and a number of prizes are available too. This meal generates additional funding for the school, therefore we hope that as many children as possible stay as they will benefit from this moving forward in school. Thank you.

READERS

We are now in a position to allow some visitors into the school and as ever support with hearing readers is a key priority for the school. If you have done this previously or would like to get involved, please contact the school office and we will be able to explain the steps needed to make this happen. Thank you.

A BIG THANK YOU

I would just like to take the opportunity to thank all parents and cares for wearing masks whilst on the school site. This measure will hopefully help everyone in these difficult times. Please could I just ask that whilst on site, children remain with adults at all times too please.

This week Mrs Barley has sent out forms regarding personal details and consent for photographs in school. Please could you check over all details carefully and also return the consent form so we can update our records.

TERM DATES

At present, with so much uncertainty surrounding the current situation, I have opted to not send a list of term dates at present. The actual term dates can be found on the school website under the Parents tab if you require these .

We will be holding a parents' consultation evening where you will have the opportunity to speak with your child's class teacher regarding their progress however the format of this is still being decided. Unfortunately, at this time we are unable to offer Class Assemblies, discos and movie nights, however there will be events planned for the children within their bubbles which I will inform you of nearer the time. Some parents have asked about flu jabs for the children. I can confirm these will take place in November and we will pass on any key information when we receive it. Thank you.