



Headteacher's message:

After getting used to the many changes that are intended to keep everyone Covid Secure, the school has settled into the "new normal" and there is a happy atmosphere around the building. It is wonderful to greet the children every morning and see their smiling faces. It confirms what we all know; children thrive when they are able to go to school.

Despite the disruption, we are still pressing on with our school improvement priorities for the academic year. We are continuing our focus on raising standards in English; already there is a real buzz in school about Talk 4 Writing. Our Year 1 class have kicked off with learning The Three Little Pigs and will base their writing on the story. Year 5 have been exploring poetry and short-burst writing; it has been fabulous to see their enthusiasm and I have enjoyed sharing their writing with them (from a safe social distance). We have had positive feedback from our Infant parents regarding our new reading scheme which is directly linked to the children's phonics phase.

Thank you for respecting social distancing at the start and finish of the day; it has been especially important now we know cases are on the rise.



SAFEGUARDING

It is essential that you know what your child is doing on Whatsapp.

Despite being an excellent tool for group chats, sadly it is regularly a tool for cyber bullying.

If your child is in a school Whatsapp group others in the group can add people they do not know and the app can be used for video calling. You can see how this could be exploited by those who may not have honest motives.

Please also note the age restriction on Whatsapp is 18.

Parent and Carer Survey

We will be shortly sending out a link via text for our latest parent and carer survey. If you click on the link in the text it will take you straight to the Google Form and can be easily completed on a smartphone.

Autumn Parents, Carers and Teacher Consultations

Wednesday 21st October

Thursday 22nd October

4pm-7pm

We will be offering virtual consultations using Microsoft Teams this term. Please watch out for the Google Form to share your time preference and you will be sent an individual meeting link via email.

Please remember to label your child's school uniform.