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### June 2020 NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers

What glorious weather we had at half term, I hope you could enjoy some time outside.

Despite the lovely sunshine it is important to remember that the Covid-19 pandemic is still with us and that we still need to be very safety minded at all times.

On Monday we welcomed back some of the children from Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. It is wonderful to have the children back in school and they have all been very happy but we need to remember our social distancing and hygiene at all times.

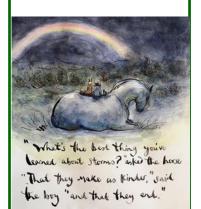
#### Keeping in touch

If your child has a place at school at present and they will not be attending one day, please can you call the school to let us know as we still have to call you re absence. Thank you.

We are still in the storm and so we cannot become complacent. What I certainly hope for, as the picture says, is that storms make us kinder. It has been wonderful to see the community coming together and helping each other. The sacrifices you have all made have all contributed to where we are now.

### New Packs

On 8<sup>th</sup> June we will have new packs to give out. As parents and carers will no longer be able to enter the school grounds we will put these packs out on tables at the top of the driveway. If it is raining we will need to change the day. Please observe social distancing at all times. The packs will be available from 9.30-10.00 for R, 1 and 2. 11-12.00 for 3 and 4 and 1-2 for 5 and 6. Please can I also ask that you do not stay to chat on the driveway. As staff are teaching and I am overseeing the school it may be a few days before we can drop a pack to you if you cannot pick one up. As I said previously as teachers are teaching we may not be able to supply as much work as before and so we ask that you look at our website for links to online learning, notably Oak National Academy and BBC Bitesize. I will try and call all parents to check in with you but please do give me a call if you have any questions.



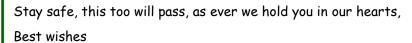
# School Numbers

At present I still have no further information about other years coming back to school. As time goes on children will have been absent from school for a while and so we do ask that those who aren't in school try and do as much of the work packs as they can so that they will be ready for September. We will, of course, support them to catch up in their learning. Our Key Worker bubbles are at capacity now. If this causes a problem for a Key Worker returning to work who does not already have a place and whose child is not in Reception, Year 1 or Year 6 please call me to discuss. We will look at how we can accommodate your child because your work is essential for us all.

## School Events

We will obviously not be able to hold school events this term. We all feel for our year sixes who will not be able to have the traditional end of Primary School events but I know Mr Field and Mrs Snow will work closely with you all.

With this letter are the dates for 2020/21 with CPD days included. I certainly hope that September brings a degree of normality but at present it is difficult to say if we will be returning as the old normal. We will certainly be maintaining good hand washing practice and correct use of tissues as this is good practice with stomach bugs and colds and flu.



Karen Wrixon

Headteacher



