



# Weekly Newsletter

Living to Learn, Learning to Live



## REACH FOR THE STARS

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### Key Dates

Monday 3rd May—Bank holiday.

Thursday 6th May—school closed for elections

24th, 25th, 26th, 27th and 28th May INSET Days.

Week beginning 31st May—school closes for half term

Tuesday 20th July—School closes for summer

**SPOT-LIGHT ON LEARNING**

Brook Agency RSE workshop for Y5 and Y6—June

Year 4 Monday Walk—begins Monday 19th April

Year 3 Tuesday Walk—begins Tuesday 20th April



### WELCOME BACK!

Hope you had a lovely Easter and still have some of those Easter eggs left!

### MATHEMATICS

We practice these every day in our Quick 10 Basic Skills sessions. This helps the children to recap and consolidate learning.

We also use Times Tables Rock Stars in school to support our learning of times tables, Maths Shed to recap and assess learning in other number facts and Numbots to improve our recall and understanding of number bonds and addition and subtraction facts. All children have access to these at home and we really encourage them to log on and practice.

Well done to everyone who has logged on to TTRS, Maths Shed and Numbots over the past few weeks and improved their speed and rock status. We can see a HUGE difference in your scores! To celebrate the children's EFFORT and progress, we will look at the leader boards in praise assembly each week and celebrate the;

**Fastest 'Rock Speed'**

**Highest Earner of the week**

**Most Improved speed**

**Star of the Week** (amount of correct questions or time spent playing)

Each winner will get **50 Wellies!**

Please remember to encourage your child to become a Times Tables Rock Star and earn badges on Numbots - they make such a difference. Little and often is best. The results certainly prove this- some of them are so speedy, they're close to beating the teachers!!



Before the Easter break, Miss Barton (our Maths Lead) was able to spend some time with children across the school and talk about their opinions on Maths and how they found learning from home. The children were fantastic at discussing their learning- what they enjoy about maths, what they are good at and what they need to work on. They understand the importance of maths in the wider world and they particularly touched upon the importance of being fluent in solving number calculations and being able to recall number facts.



**MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBENG**

Check out this brilliant article from the Mental Health Foundation on why relationships are so important for children and young people. They have produced some wonderful resources around supporting your child following their return to school after lockdown. Have a look—they may be useful!

[www.mentalhealth.org.uk](http://www.mentalhealth.org.uk)

**WELLBEING WALKS @ WELLESBOURNE  
GREAT NEWS..GREAT NEWS..GREAT NEWS**

The removal of some of the government restrictions means that we are now able to offer our wellbeing walk again. We are going to maintain the year group bubbles. Therefore the groups for our walk will be chosen from children the same year group. We will be visiting local parks and National Trust areas of interest. If your child brings a letter home, inviting them on to 'The Walk', please fill in the slip and return to school as soon as possible. If you do not want your child to go—please also return the form so that we can offer the place to another child.



**AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

Due to the change in government guidelines we are now able to offer after school clubs again. This is an important part of our school life and we are really pleased to be able to do this now. To keep the children as safe as possible this will be in year group bubbles.

**LUNCHTIME CLUBS**

The same changes will enable us to offer lunchtime clubs. These will also be kept in year group bubbles.

We are offering gardening club for certain year groups and will be offering yoga and running club from next week.

**ALL** these activities will help support our children's health and wellbeing and are a vital part of our curriculum. If your child is not invited to a club, in the first wave, they will have the opportunity later in the year—encourage them to get involved if they can.



"All your dreams can come true if you have the courage to pursue them."  
Walt Disney

**PSHE**

Most of PSHE education becomes statutory for all schools from September. This includes Relationships Education at key stages 1 and 2, Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) at key stages 3 and 4, and Health Education in both primary and secondary phases.

The Department for Education's statutory Relationships Education, RSE and Health Education guidance sets out what schools must cover.

The school have The Brook Agency coming in to school to work with our Year 5 and 6 classes on their RSE. More information will be sent to the parents / carers of these children nearer the time.



**GOOD NEWS FOR EARLY YEARS**



The school will be closed for children for the 5 INSET days week beginning May 24th and for the Whit week holiday week beginning May 31st.

During this time the Early Years outdoor area will be getting a make over.

Hopefully, this work will be completed in this time and our Early Years can return to a fabulous new space. We think they really deserve this as the school part closures have led to an interrupted start to their school life—it will be perfect for them to learn, explore and develop in our new outdoor area.

**ATTENDANCE IS ONE OF OUR VALUES.** Your child has to be in school to get everything they can from school. Our experience with remote learning has proved to us all how important being in school, being with friends, having their teacher in front of them actually is.. PLEASE try to make sure your child is in school, on time, every day.