# "Growing and Learning Together with God."

Spring Term 2 Value: Love and Agape

# **Newsletter 4 Spring Term**

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Dear Parents and Carers,



# Message from the Head

At last, the news we've all been waiting for! On Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March, we are able to welcome back our whole school family and once again the school will be filled with our students growing and learning together.

Our priority, in the first instance, will be to settle the children back in to our learning environment, reassuring them of the safe, caring atmosphere of the school through our vision and set of values. We will be gradually building our learning capacity by focusing on these to help them readjust to being back in school.

Our systems are very clearly set out to ensure the safety of our staff and pupils and I will remind you all of the expectations, as we practised before, in next week's newsletter.

We will be accessing the additional funding from the Government to ensure we can plan effective targeted work through the coming terms and are confident that this measured but rigorous progression will benefit all pupils in their long-term development. There will be a deficit of learning for pupils and we will develop appropriate support for all children to give them the best opportunities over time.

# **Wrap Around Care**

In order for you to plan effectively we advise that we will be operating both Breakfast Club and Afterschool Club in small consistent bubbles, as directed by the guidance from 8<sup>th</sup> March. Please ensure that you get in touch **as soon as possible** with the office for Breakfast Club (booking forms are on the website under Parents, Wrap Around Care) and with Lisa Mooney (<u>lisa.mooney@fritwell.oxon.sch.uk</u>) for Afterschool Club.



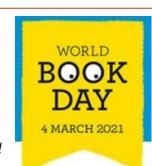
### **Homework Projects**

With the children returning to school and readjusting to new routines we have decided to suspend the projects for this short term. However, we do expect the children to maintain their reading and access activities on Spelling Shed, Maths Shed and TT Rockstars as normal.

# World Book Day – Thursday 4th March

Don't forget World Book Day on Thursday 4th March!

Although World Book Day will be rather different with remote learning this year, we would still like to set you a fancy-dress challenge to dress up as a book character. Following on from our "Express Yourself" theme during Mental Health Week, we would like you to use this opportunity to choose a book or a character which you think best expresses you!



Make sure you are dressed as your character for your class Teams meeting on the 4th so you can share your costume with all of your friends!



On World Book Day the learning assignments will be book themed too. You will get the chance to attend the World Book Day Author and Illustrator Academy, where you will watch a video

from a real author or illustrator. They will explain the inspiration behind their stories, you'll get to read a section of their book and they will set you a writing challenge. Your teacher will also ask you to take the time to enjoy a good book! This could be reading the next chapter of your current novel or cuddling up with your family to share a favourite picture book together.

We would love to see a photo of you reading your book in the most creative place you can think of!



#### Fresh Start

Meal Manager is up and running with new menus for Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. Please go online and book school dinners ready for the children's first week back; the deadline is **midday on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March**.



#### **RED NOSE DAY IS BACK!**

Red Nose Day for Comic Relief is back on **Friday 19**<sup>th</sup> **March** and this year it has never felt more important to have some fun and raise money to support people living incredibly tough lives.

Through humour and stories of hope, Comic Relief has shown that people can make a massive difference. The charity funds hundreds of amazing organisations who are working on the ground to support the most vulnerable people and communities in society.

This includes defenceless children and young people who are homeless or living in extreme poverty, women and families at risk of domestic abuse, and those struggling with existing or new mental health problems.

Fritwell School will be celebrating Red Nose Day on the 19<sup>th</sup> March, which will be a non-uniform day for all pupils, and plans are afoot for some exciting activities on the day!

As with Children in Need, we have a page set up on ParentPay for Red Nose Day and we welcome donations of  $\pounds 1$  per child. All you need to do is click on the following link

https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=1954 and enter in your donation amount any time before Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March.

We thank you all in advance for your support.

Enjoy the sunshine this weekend!

Kind regards,

Jonathan Hart

Headteacher