

Newsletter

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COVID UPDATE

There have been a rising number of cases across the school this week, resulting in the temporary closure of Oaks class. Unless you hear otherwise, we are very hopeful that all classes will resume as normal on Monday. Rest assured, we will let you know of any changes as soon as we are able to. A review of the situation will take place on Sunday evening and again on Monday morning.

Parents of children in all classes are advised to stock up on lateral flow tests regularly with their child to try and identify any further asymptomatic cases. Any child with any symptom of COVID can book a PCR test and return to school as soon as a negative result is received by the office.

A heartfelt thank you to the staff who have coped brilliantly this week under challenging circumstances. Thank you also to parents, volunteers and Governors who have supported and encouraged us all the way.

A MESSAGE FROM SCHOOL COUNCIL



We have been looking at the plastic waste from lunchboxes to see if we can reduce what is being thrown away. Lots of families already do this and bring re-useable, washable pots. This is what we found in Ash and Sycamores. We examined what was in there and have some suggestions:

| Plastic item being thrown away | What we could change at school or home |
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| Yoghurt pots | These can be recycled but yoghurt tubes seem to produce less throw away plastic |
| Plastic cups used for milk | School councillors will write to the lunch provider about other options |
| Crisp packets (only on a Friday) | We are going to make sure we recycle those in school |
| Dairylea dunkers pots | Buy the ingredients separately – less waste and probably cheaper |
| Drinks cartons (only a few of these) but none had plastic straws. | Most tetra packs and paper straws can be recycled. |
| Plastic bags | Use paper sandwich bags instead |

CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK

Next week is Children's Mental Health week and the theme is **Growing Together**.

Growing Together is about growing emotionally and finding ways to help each other grow. Challenges and setbacks can help us to grow and adapt. Trying new things can help us to move beyond our comfort zone into a new realm of possibility and potential. Emotional growth is often a gradual process that happens over time and it can be affected by changing circumstances.

For some supportive ideas for parents see the website:

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/parents-and-carers/>

SAFER INTERNET DAY

This important day takes place on Tuesday 8th February. However, online safety features constantly in our curriculum and our discussions in school. It is so easy for children to make mistakes when communicating or gaming online and it can leave them in a vulnerable position. Sussex Police have produced three guides for parents, attached for you, which have some useful tips and links.

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BAGS OF SUPPORT COLLECTION

Donate **any** clothing (Men's, Women's, Children's) to school hall **Thursday 17th/Friday 18th February**
COLLECTION DTAE TUESDAY 1ST MARCH AT 10:00 AM

DESIGN & FAIRTRADE SHIPLEY BAKE-OFF – Tuesday 1st March

Bake cookies using Fairtrade ingredients over half term and bring into school on Tuesday 1st March. More information to follow.

READING REWARDS

Thank you for supporting your children with their reading. The following children have their certificate and bookmarks:

Ruby:

OAKS – Ronnie

Emerald:

OAKS – Mia, Alanna, Lilian

Diamond:

OAKS – Connie

GOLDEN BOOK

When a child does something amazing we like to celebrate the event in Friday's assembly.

OAKS - Eva for super phonics and a positive attitude to learning, Lilian for being kind and helpful, Rosie for super animal writing.

ASH – Eve for being really enthusiastic and engaged in the RE topic on Hinduism, Siennagrace for some very accurate measuring in maths.

SYCAMORES - Tess for a wonderful positive attitude to her learning. Max for being an independent and resilient learner.

Kind regards

Mrs Jen Harvey and Mrs Jill Phillips