

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that this newsletter finds you well.

### School starting and ending times after half term

After the half term holidays we will continue to have staggered starting and ending times to the school day. We will also be continuing to have Year group bubbles. However, we will be reviewing these decisions from the 21<sup>st</sup> June onwards. As you will be aware, this is the date when the Government and the Health Security Agency are hopeful that all coronavirus lockdown restrictions will end. Should this be the case then we will return to our pre-pandemic arrangements. This decision will only be taken following guidance from the Department for Education and Public Health England.

School Day – week beginning Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> June – week ending Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> June		
Year Group	Start Time	End Time
Reception	School operates a 'soft' start	3.00
Year 1	to the school day. This means that the doors are open from	3.10
Year 2	8.40 and children can begin	3.15
Year 3	entering the building from this	3.10
Year 4	time. The actual formal start of the school day is 8.50.	3.10
Year 5	of the school day is 8.50.	3.15
Year 6		3.15

#### **PTA**

We have been delighted with the response we have had from parents wishing to joining the Parent and Teachers Association. We now have 13 parents as members (an increase of eight new members since the start of the year) but would still like more to become involved. The PTA are currently working on fundraising ideas to raise money for a whole school end of term fun day and I will share their ideas with you next half term. As part of the revamping of the PTA they have come up with some suggestions of a name change and all parents (whether they choose to be part of the PTA or not) will have a vote. Mrs. Campbell will be sending out the choices of name after half term. Speaking of Mrs. Campbell, I would like to take this opportunity to thank her for coordinating the role of the PTA this year and for her great efforts in raising its profile. I would also like to thank all those parents who have committed their time and effort to supporting the school through their involvement in the PTA.

## **Captain Sir Tom More 100 challenge**

As I mentioned in my newsletter of May 5th, school will be taking part in the Captain Sir Tom Moore 100 challenge to raise money for our nominated charity, The John Taylor Hospice. Each year group have decided on the 100 challenge that they will undertake. These are as follows:

Year 6 - Challenge to complete 100 laps around the school playground as a year group - this will be a sponsored event.

Year 5 - Challenge to complete 100 star jumps - individually for a donation of £1.

Year 4 - Challenge to slam dunk 100 basketball shots as a year group - this will be a sponsored event.



Year 3 - Challenge to wear 100 odd socks and shoe combination - individual challenge for a donation of £1 - prize for the craziest combination!

Year 2 – Challenge to make and sell 100 chocolate hedgehog cakes – cakes will be sold for a minimum donation of 30p.

Year 1 – Challenge to count 100 pennies at home, bring them in and fill in giant superhero pictures before donating the money.

Reception - Challenge to bake and sell 100 cakes / biscuits.

The Captain Sir Tom More 100 challenge will take place in school on Thursday 1st July. A big thank you to the School Council, Cathy Lomas and Mr. Hamblett for organising this special event.

#### **Half Term**

School breaks up today for the half term holiday. The children return to school on Monday 7th June .

# Dates for you diary

School will be closed to all pupils on Friday 2nd July for a Teacher Training day. The school term ends on Tuesday 20th, July.

I wish you all a safe, peaceful and happy weekend

Mr. J Cusack

**Head Teacher** 

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