

Dear Parents and Carers,

I have unfortunately been unwell this week, which is why I have not been around much. Struck down by some horrible flu like thing which has completely laid me low. I am now on the mend and looking forward to being back at school and on the gate after the weekend.

Next week is an important week for us. We have a County progress review on Wednesday afternoon and I am looking forward to sharing our development with school advisors. We have every right to feel pleased with what we have achieved here at school, as a staff, we all share the same vision to make this school the best it can be, we have exciting plans for future development and I am confident we are moving in the right direction. I am hopeful this will be recognised.

We are now very firmly in our OFSTED window and we could receive a visit from them at any time. (Unfortunately, realistically this could mean a whole year of waiting!!) Naturally, it is important that we are prepared, and ready to shine at a moment's notice. This will mean the whole school and all of its stakeholders coming together to demonstrate what an excellent school we are. We have worked incredibly hard as a team to address the development points of the previous inspection and to make progress in all areas, the school feels very different these days and I am proud of leading the school community on this journey...

Over the next few weeks I look forward to sharing our school's approach towards the Ofsted criteria in greater detail.

For now, I would like to extend my thanks to all members of staff who have ensured that the school has run so efficiently in my absence. It has as always been a busy week with school trips to Pulborough Brooks, African Djembe drumming, swimming, key stage 1 multiskills to name just a few of our activities. Alongside this, hopefully, many of the children will have spoken to you about our recent Wall Art installation. I would like to thank Will Lovegrove and his team at Treetop Design for their work on this project which they installed at cost. I have no doubt that it will provide further inspiration for our pupils!

I hope you enjoy your weekends,

Tracey Newbold



World Earth Day Monday 22nd 2024 Planet Vs Plastic

On Monday the children had an assembly to celebrate World Earth Day.

Our geography topics in the spring term were very popular with the children and it is lovely to see them showing a greater interest in environmental issues.

This was a good starting point for the children to gain a better understanding of the damage that plastic is causing towards our planet.

Hopefully they were able to share some of their newfound knowledge with you regarding this, as we do have some great eco-warriors ready to take on the plastic challenge.

Ms Friedli

Diary Dates

May

Wednesday 1st – Splash assembly

- PTA meeting

Wednesday 8th – Walk, Bike and Roll to school day

Friday 10th - KS1 Drop and Read session

Friday 24th - KS1 Drop and Read session

Monday 20th – Messy Church

Thursday 23rd – PGL information meeting Yr 5+6 parents - 3.30pm community room

Friday 24th – Break up for half-term at 3.20pm

June

Monday 3rd – Children back in school

Messy Church

Sunday 9th - Yr 5+6 PGL residential trip

Wednesday 12th – Children return from residential trip

Friday 28th – Sports Day

July

Monday 1st – INSET day

Tuesday 23rd – Break up for Summer holidays