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NEWSLETTER 14 - 23.02.2021

Dear Parents/Carers

GOOD NEWS!

We are really looking forward to seeing all the children back in school on 8th March. Please remember to follow the health and safety routines we used in the Autumn term:-

- One parent/carer at drop-offs and pick-ups
- Using the one way system and maintaining a 2 metre distance
- Ensuring that your child sanitises their hands prior to entering school
- Ensuring that you do not enter the yellow hatched areas outside the class room doors
- Please continue to communicate with teachers primarily by e-mail or phone the office as required

In school we will continue to follow our Risk Assessment which is primarily based on keeping the children in their class bubbles which reduces mixing but enables effective education to continue.

CATCHING-UP!

It is important that the children (or parents) do not feel under pressure to "catch-up". All children progress at individual rates in their learning and we will continue to move them forward from what they know. You can continue to support your child by completing homework and reading daily but most importantly we need your support to re-establish good routines (eg bedtime) and continued enthusiasm for learning. We will be prioritising learning but at the same time we are looking forward to re-introducing those things that make schooling at Hallcroft special as soon as possible.

WORLD BOOK DAY - THURSDAY 4TH MARCH

As per yesterday's e-mail we are asking you to celebrate World Book Day by reading at home with your child and sending us a photograph of this so that we can make a World Book Day video.

EQUIPMENT/UNIFORM

From 8th March all full time children will need a named water bottle, their reading folder and a PE kit (white t-shirt, black shorts and plimsolls/trainers) in school every day.

I am aware that shopping, particularly for school shoes, is not easy at the moment and therefore it is acceptable for children to return to school in alternative footwear etc. If all goes according to plan and non-essential retail opens from 12th April then we will expect all children to return to school in full uniform and black school shoes after the Easter holidays. Please ensure all uniform is named.

SPORTS CLUB

We are pleased to inform you that Michelle will start Sports Club again on Wednesday 10th March and this will be for Year 2. Please let the office know if your child would like to attend and pay Michelle £3 when you pick your child up.

PARENTS EVENING

Before the week of 22nd March teachers will send you a Teams invitation for parents evening. We are not able to invite you into school yet but thought it would be good if we could actually see each other! If you are not able to attend your given slot please contact your child's class teacher.

SUPPORT

If you have any concerns about your child's health/development/eyesight/behaviour etc during these times as well as contacting school you can also get support from staff in the Children's Centre by calling 01159 773754 or by contacting the Healthy Family Team - health visitors, school nurses etc by calling 0300 1233387 (OPTION 4). Specsavers etc are still open so please keep up to date with eye tests etc.

DIARY DATES

Monday 8 th March	Return to school for all children
Wednesday 10 th March	Sports Club starts (Year 2)
Friday 19 th March	Red Nose Day - wear something red or paint your nose red and wear non-uniform (50p donation)
Thursday 1 st April	Break-up for Easter Holidays
Monday 19 th April	First day back at school after holidays

Please do get in touch if there is anything at all we can do to help you, these are tough times for everyone, but we are here for you and your family.

Kind regards

Jo Cook

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Head Teacher