Dear Parents and Carers

It seems impossible that we are nearing the end of our second week of the term already! Our classes have been very busy as they get Creative within their curriculum. We have tie-dying in Year 2 and clay sculptures in Year 3, Year 4 have been exploring the local environment for habitats and Year 5 will be constructing a bridge to cross a river—in model form! Year 6 are exploring photography and Year 1 are experimenting with different materials for painting, including watercolours. EYFS are focusing on growth, looking at how they grow and how they can eat healthily. It's so lovely to walk around the school and see the enjoyment and dedication they have to their learning.

As things seem to be improving nationally, we are keenly watching to see how we progress out of lockdown. Our current plan is to continue with our staggered timetables within school, but will look to reinstate our previous start and finish times, our use of the dining hall and assemblies. All of this, is of course, dependent on the government guidelines, and any relaxation of our processes will be explained to you in good time. It is very unlikely that we will hold our traditional sports day this year, as we feel that this would result in too big of a gathering, we will however look to organise an inhouse event for the children. We will also wait until after the summer before we invite groups of parents in for assemblies or open classrooms.

I would like to wish you all a lovely long Bank Holiday weekend and will see you on Tuesday 4th May.

Best wishes

Suzanne Farr

Thank you!

I would like to say thank you to all of our families for ensuring that the play equipment is not used during school collection at the end of the day. As a result, our children are able to use the equipment in school. It makes a huge difference to our children, so we are very grateful.

Luna and Star have asked me to remind all our families, that they are available for weekend visits! If there are any families that wish to look after them for the weekend, please get in touch. Thank you.



Upcoming Dates and events

13th May—Headteacher for a day Raffle 28th May—last day of term

31st May-Half Term

7th June-Pupils return to school

16th June—Raffle winner is Headteacher for the day!

23rd June-Enrichment day KS 2

24th June-Enrichment Day KS1

SPORTS DAY WILL NOT TAKE PLACE IN THE USUAL WAY THIS YEAR.

7th July—Meet the Teacher—pupils meet their teacher for the next class.

8th July—Secondary School Day for Year 6

9th-11th July-Year 6 Camp out

12th July—Reports to parents

20th July-Children's last day

21st July-INSET

REMEMBER:

Please let us know if anyone in your household tests **positive** for Coronavirus. It is vital that we are informed as soon as possible in case we need to take any action. If you are self-isolating due to contact with someone who has tested positive, please make sure you let us know that too.

We continue to be fortunate, managing to keep all our bubbles open, but please remain alert to the possibility that a bubble would close following a positive case. This could mean that we ask you to collect your child quickly, and remain away for a set time. In this situation, remote learning would be reinstated through the use of Teams. Please let us know promptly if you require the use of an iPad in this situation.



Many of you have purchased some raffle tickets already, to be in with a chance of being Headteacher for a day. I have already heard some interesting ideas about what changes some pupils would make!

The raffle will close on 12th May, and the draw will take place on 13th May.

Good Luck



Our very own Claire Nightingale, has told us about a terrific event that she is taking part in with Phoebe. They will be completing the charity fundraising event 100 Miles in May for Mind. They will be walking everyday in May to reach the 100 mile mark, although as Phoebe will be at school, her target will be a little lower and will aim for 75 miles. The fund raising link is just below if you would like to support Claire and Phoebe in their quest, or you can find her in the playground after school.

https://www.facebook.com/donate/131846555579817/

Mind is an amazing charity that supports people with their mental health.

Good Luck to you both.



Today is the first ever National Daily Mile event where children from across the country have been invited to run, jog or walk a mile. The aim of the event is to get 1 million children moving on the same day and highlight the benefits of activity in improving fitness, wellbeing, and concentration in the classroom.

Every child at Capel will have been involved today, which is a fantastic achievement and we are extremely proud of them. You may already know that we do extra activity everyday in addition to PE, but doing this alongside thousands of other children makes it even more special.