



STARS OF THE WEEK

Rosie Gair
Jess Taylor
Brooke Wojcikiewicz
Carter Cramman
Bas Webber
Skylar Cowie
Chloe Lavery

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Our School Target is 97%

LAST WEEK: 96.5%

Nursery (Seahorses) - 97.5%
 Reception (Turtles) - 94.5%
 Year 1 (Jellyfish) - 99.5%
 Year 2 (Puffins) - 95.9%
 Year 3 (Sharks) - 97.6%
 Year 4 (Penguins) - 93.7%

Well Done Jellyfish!

2021 SCHOOL DIARY

Wednesday 14th July	3.45pm—Year 4 Leaver's Awards TBC
Friday 16th July	2pm—School closes for Summer Holiday

IMPRESSIVE LEARNING AT HOME!

We have adopted a slightly different model of learning at home for the children in bubbles that are currently in isolation. Teachers have arranged daily video meetings at the start of each day to check in with the children and go through their daily tasks. It has been a pleasure to see increasing numbers of children joining the meetings and we'd like to thank parents for helping to make this happen. On Thursday, Mrs Oliver reported that she had 19 out of 23 children online completing their lessons whilst just under half of the Reception children have joined meetings and enjoyed some fun activities with Mrs Lockey including showing their favourite toys and doing scavenger hunts in the house! Parents should not be surprised if teachers contact them if the children are not engaging with tasks. We continue to ask parents to get in touch with us if they require a loan device for their child to access online learning.

COVID-19 UPDATE

We were informed of another positive case of Covid-19 in school on Wednesday morning which has now led to our Year 4 class bubble being closed with children and staff being required to self-isolate. This now means that we have had 2 bubbles closed this week along with a number of other pupils in school in self-isolation due to being deemed close contacts of positive cases. Our Turtles class children and staff are able to end their period of self isolation after today whilst the Penguins' period of isolation ends after next Thursday. Although government guidance now allows household mixing it is important to keep the number of contacts you have to a minimum to help avoid becoming a potential close contact in the event of further positive cases and then be required to isolate. In school, we continue to keep our class bubbles completely separate throughout the school day including the use of different toilets, separate areas of the field/playground and staggered mealtimes. We will continue with enhanced cleaning routines and very regular hand sanitising.

CHILDREN DISPLAYING COVID SYMPTOMS AND HOUSEHOLD ISOLATION

School staff are being extremely vigilant regarding children displaying symptoms that may be related to Covid-19 including new coughs and temperatures. If these are noticed we will contact parents and ask you to get your child tested with a PCR test - Lateral Flow Tests are not appropriate when there are symptoms.

If any member of your household is displaying symptoms it is important that the whole household isolates until a negative PCR test result is received. With the recent cases in school, and rise in cases in the area, we are taking a very cautious approach in school. We appreciate that isolation can be very disruptive to people's everyday lives and ask parents to remember that we are following government guidance when we recommend that children should be tested. Our school staff know the children very well and are adept at noticing slight differences in the children that may concern us. As always, the health and safety of the children is our priority. If you are not certain about anything regarding isolation or tests please contact us at school as we are usually able to find out answers quite quickly.

WORDS OF THE WEEK

Y1 -confrontation (Amelia-Rose) Y2 - deception (Bobby)
Y3-descend (Shannay)

Our words of the week really support the children in developing their vocabulary!
 PLEASE ENCOURAGE THE CHILDREN TO LOOK AND LISTEN OUT FOR WORDS THAT ARE NEW TO THEM AND FIND OUT THEIR MEANING!

END OF YEAR EVENTS

It is now almost certain that we will not be able to invite parents in to most of our usual end of year events although we will aiming to run a Y4 Leavers Awards Ceremony Outdoors. We are fully aware of the guidance available and what we can and can't do but will continue to be extremely cautious due to the recent rise in local cases, recommendations from the council's health and safety department and what our governors have agreed. Managing social distancing between bubbles in school is a big enough challenge without also managing social distancing between parents!

We will be running class sports days for the children in the coming weeks and aim to share photos of these on our Facebook page, we will also aim to run class picnics and Pea Hunts for the children. We're already looking forward to next summer when we hope we can invite everyone back!

YEAR 4 LEAVERS EVENTS

Bubble closure has not helped in our preparations for our Y4 Leavers' Performance and Awards. It is now highly likely that the performance will need to be done 'behind closed doors' and a video of it prepared for parents. It is still in our plans to run a Year 4 Leavers' Awards Ceremony outside but this will also involve limited numbers of adults. We have pencilled in a date for the event and will let parents know more details as soon as possible. It is likely that we still ask the children to dress smartly but parents may need to bring umbrellas!