



21st October 2020

Dear Parents,

Autumn Information Letter 9

Mrs Shoukry

We say farewell to Mrs Shoukry this Friday 23rd November, as she will be commencing her maternity leave. I would like to thank her for her hard work this term and indeed over many years. I'm sure you will all join me in sending her the very best wishes at this special time.

Mrs Steele will be the new teacher in Ash class and will be meeting the pupils tomorrow.

Curriculum Update-Back to School Questionnaire October 2020

How has it been for the children returning to school? It would be easy to think that they would pick up where they left off on the day the school went into lockdown. We have been analysing the difficulties the children have dealt with during this time and how these might impact their ability to learn effectively.

In response, we have written a recovery curriculum to enable the pupils to get back on track. It is a curriculum that is responsive to the needs of children, that harvests their experiences and helps them both emotionally and cognitively.

At the start of this term and over the coming weeks the staff will continue to build new content into the NJK curriculum. In particular the pedagogy, resources and also the mental health of the children, will be considered.

We would very much like to know how the return to school has been for your child/ren and what their experience of lockdown was like. Please complete the questionnaire sent home with your child today and return to school by Friday 23rd October.

Parent Consultations - Autumn Term

Thank you for 'meeting' with the teachers over the past two weeks and for your positive feedback.

PTA

The PTA continues to support the school virtually, raising money and organising events. The PTA have recently funded the following items for school:

- a class set of dictionaries for Y6,
- a class set of atlas' for Y6,
- colourful rugs for every classroom in KS1
- a sail shade for Y2
- a class set of Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief books for Y5
- art equipment for Y5
- maths equipment for Oak
- Stone Age books for Oak and Ash
- waterproof soft furnishings for EYFS outdoor area
- maths equipment for the Y1 outdoor area

Thank you so much to everyone who helps with PTA activities.



Royal British Legion

We will be selling items to support the Poppy Appeal again this year. All items will be put into class-sized sets and sent to each bubble in school after half term. Pupils can bring in coins that will be posted directly into the collection pot.

How your donations help...

In these unprecedented times, your donations will help the Royal British Legion support the most vulnerable in the Armed Forces community, be it older veterans that they care for, those suffering from social isolation, or those facing challenges associated with the Covid-19 pandemic.

Innovate

After half term our catering company Innovate will be offering hot school meals. These will be delivered to school in named packages for each child so that we can keep to the safety of the class bubbles during lunchtimes.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Dean'.

Mrs J Dean
Headteacher