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Newsletter: 4th March 2021

Next week!

We are really looking forward to seeing everyone next week. Please find below a reminder of the weekly activities to help us all as we get into yet another routine! A polite reminder, please drop/pick your child up and leave the car park promptly to avoid gathering together and to provide easier access to all.

To clarify about lateral flow testing, primary school children do not have to undertake the test at this time. Please see the paragraph below from the government guidance. However, test kits will be made available for households that would like to use them, please follow the link to the government guidance about this in my last letter.

As laid out in the roadmap, secondary school and college students will now be tested twice a week, receiving three initial tests at school or college before transitioning to twice weekly home testing. Primary school children will not be regularly asymptomatically tested due to low levels of transmission between younger aged children but will continue to need to come forward for tests if they have symptoms.

P.E

Please ensure your child is in PE kit on the following days.

Whole school: Thursday

Swallow and Skylark: Friday

Goldfinch will need trainers and skipping ropes in school on Mondays.

Next week we are lucky to have a coach from Chance to Shine—Gloucestershire Cricket coming into school on Wednesday to deliver cricket workshops to all classes. Therefore, pupils will need to be in PE kit on Wednesday 10th March as well.

Forest School Dates

Weather permitting, we will be returning to our Forest School site from next week on Tuesday mornings. Mr Pritchard has also agreed to run an afternoon session on Tuesday on the field. Therefore, one class will visit the site in the woods in the morning and one class will be on the field in the afternoon. Pupils in both of these classes will need to come dressed in suitable clothing to be outside for a whole morning or afternoon. Warm clothing and waterproofs please.

Tuesday 9th March: a.m. Swift p.m. Skylark

Tuesday 16th March: a.m. Goldfinch p.m. Swallow

World Book Day

Today is World Book day and we hope everyone enjoys the story on Class Dojo and any other activities that you are taking part in today. The £1 book tokens will be sent home on Monday.

Wellington Boots

We are looking forward to having break times on the field again. This will allow us to ensure adequate space between the classes. Please make sure your child has wellington boots in school everyday.



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Science week

Next week is British Science week. We were intending to take part in science activities with workshops and visitors but have decided to move this to May. However, there will still be some science investigations and tasks taking place across the school. For one of our activities, please could your child bring in an empty plastic bottle or any size at the beginning of next week. Many thanks.

School Lunches

Emails have been sent out about hot dinners commencing Monday 8th March for Swallow and Skylark class. All children in Years 3—6 need to bring a packed lunch from home unless they are entitled to a school lunch under the Government's Free School Meal Scheme.

We will continue to work on a way to enable all pupils to participate in hot dinners as soon as possible.

School Uniform

Just to remind you that our school uniform is now available to order directly from our online shop https://www.pbuniform-online.co.uk/longneycofe

During the transition to online ordering we still have uniform in the office that is available immediately while stocks last so please contact Heidi in the first instance if you would like to order anything.