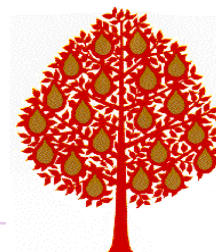




*'Be safe, be kind.
Listen and think a lot.
Be your best!'*



The Perryfields Post

Dear Parents and Carers,

CONGRATULATIONS—well done to all the parents and carers who have managed to persevere with home-learning during this second lockdown. You have all done a fantastic job and definitely need to treat yourselves when all the children return to school next week.

Home-schooling your own children is and was not easy and I think that during these unprecedented times you did a fantastic job and your children were lucky to have you supporting them.

On a serious note, if anyone is interested in a teaching career and has a degree and would like more information on the various ways into teaching then please see me.

Last Day of Term—Staggered pick up times

As previously communicated at the beginning of the academic year, governors took the decision to help improve staff work life balance and align with the junior school calendar by closing the school earlier at the end of each term. This would allow additional time for staff to prepare display boards, complete marking and prepare resources for the next term.

The last day of term is Friday 26th March and the school will close after lunch. Due to Covid-19 there will be staggered pick up times.

All Year 2 children at 1:00pm

All Year 1 children at 1:05pm

All Foundation Stage children at 1:15pm.

There will be no Peardrops after school club that day.

Perryfields Infant School

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Dates for your diary...

- 8th March—all children back to school
- 8th March—Governors Meeting
- 11th March—book fair arrive in school and order forms to be sent home (more details to follow)
- 15th March—Emerald Class Forest Schools to start (details to follow)
- 26th March—Last Day school closes at 1:15pm
- Easter Holidays
- 12th April—back to school
- 23rd April—parent report cards to go home
- 27th April—Parent consultation evening 4-6:30pm (details to follow)
- 29th April—Parent consultation evening 3:30-6pm (details to follow)
- 3rd May—Bank Holiday
- 28th May—Last Day
- Half Term
- 7th June—Non-pupil day staff training
- 8th June—back to school

Return to school

On Monday 8th March we will be continuing with our hot free school meals so there is no need to provide a packed lunch. The kitchen will be starting from the week 1 menu.

School uniform— next week children should be wearing their school uniform to school. If their shoes do not fit, please don't panic, they can wear sensible Velcro shoes/trainers up until Easter (no high heels). Children are encouraged to wear a warm fleece and coat to school as rooms can get colder with the increased ventilation.

Peardrops—before and after school club will be back up and running as normal. For children who regularly attended before lockdown their places will be available. If you would like to start using the extended days club please request the relevant documentation from the school office. Joining the Peardrops team this Friday is Miss Rosie Ellis. I am sure you will make her feel welcome.

Parent Consultation Evenings

Our main priority when the children return to school next week is to ensure that they settle quickly into the school routines and are happy. Before Easter the team will be carrying out assessments to identify any learning gaps and their next steps. This will be followed by two parent evenings. Once again, due to covid restrictions parent consultations will take place over the telephone on Tuesday 27th April and Thursday 29th April. As usual, one page report cards will be sent home in your child's book bag on Friday 23rd April for you to discuss during your appointment. All calls will be a 10 minute slot and details on how to book will follow shortly. On the day, your child's teacher will call you on their own phone. The number will be shown as 'with-held' or 'caller unknown' so please pick up to ensure you do not miss the call.

Super Stars!

This week the class super stars are:

RUBY CLASS

Buddy J—for sharing his book on his Zoom call and for being very happy and smiley—what a superstar!

TOPAZ CLASS

Grace M —for amazing progress with her reading at home and consistently working super hard—fantastic!

EMERALD CLASS

Callum—for working hard in school this week particularly in literacy. He has made great progress with his sentence structure and handwriting—fabulous!

SAPPHIRE CLASS

Ayaithi—for working really hard back at school, and listening and behaving beautifully—super!

DIAMOND CLASS

Samuel—for his amazing work on 2D and 3D shapes. His ability to identify lines of symmetry in a variety of 2D shapes was outstanding!

PEARL CLASS

Thomas—for working hard in class and at home! Thomas always completes the extra numeracy challenges and had been working really hard in literacy to include lots of excellent detail in his writing. He has remained upbeat and enthusiastic in the key worker bubble and has been a pleasure to teach!

We are extremely excited about welcoming all of the children back to school.

We will see you very soon,

Amanda Reid

Headteacher

Super Stars!

On Thursday 4th March, it was wonderful to see so many Key Worker children in school and the children working from home via Zoom taking part in this annual event. The children and staff looked fab! Children dressed up, took part in a bookmark competition, did a live drawing session and had fun with the mystery reader competition. It was a wonderful way to celebrate the love of books and reading and to encourage everyone to pick up a book all year round.

