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*'Celebrating life and learning together'*

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Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to everyone in our school community. The children have returned to school ready to learn and have settled back quickly this week.

## **November Lockdown:**

As you will be aware, we have been advised that **schools will remain fully open** during the November Lockdown - this means you must send your child to school as normal unless there is a valid reason for absence. If you choose to keep your child at home when they are not ill, self-isolating, quarantining or at a medical appointment, then the school is obliged to issue an 'unauthorised' absence for each day they remain away. All measures currently in place to keep your child and the staff safe at school during the Covid-19 pandemic will continue as before.

Remember, if you would like to talk with your child's teacher at any time, please call the office and the teacher will contact you as soon as they can during a break in lessons or after school.

## **Children in Need: Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November**



The School Council is working hard to devise exciting activities for this annual fundraiser, working within the current restrictions, and putting their creativity to good use inventing new (and maybe better) games.

This year we will be running a number of activities throughout the week, and will ask for specific donations for each event, rather than inviting children to bring in bags of small change for activities on Friday. This way we will be handling fewer coins, but hopefully still be able to raise a good total for Pudsey. Last year we raised just over £200, and the children are keen to exceed this in 2020.

Further details to follow before the end of this week – we are just waiting for confirmation regarding one of the events.

## **Welly Walks – Class One:**

Miss Coombes has requested that all children in Class One keep their wellies, waterproof trousers/leggings, hats and gloves in school at all times. This way the children can go out for welly walks when the weather is suitable rather than on a planned day each week. So far this term a number of welly walk outings have not happened as some children have not had their kit in school. Thank you.



## Fizz Pop Science:

This week the children in KS2 and Year 2 have watched an introductory video about the online Fizz Pop Science after school club mentioned in the last newsletter. They may also have shown you a flyer about the club. If you would like your child to take part in the sessions, please register directly with Fizz Pop Science at the address shown on the flyer; the bags of resources will be sent to school for each child to take home before their first online session.

## Breakfast Reading Club:

I have been asked to remind parents of the children who attend the Breakfast Reading Booster group that we ask all children to **read their books at home as well as at Reading Club**. The group aims to give extra support to children who have struggled to develop early reading skills, and will be most effective when working in partnership with you, giving the children the best possible chance of making good progress. The staff were disappointed to see that several of the group members had not read at home at all during the half term break; not surprisingly those who had read in the holiday had maintained their fluency and pace, whilst those who had not had slipped back over the time off school.

Can all parents in both classes please remember to make a comment in their child's reading diary when they have read at home, so that staff can make appropriate judgements about whether a child is ready to move on or needs further support.

## Covid-19 Symptoms:

If you or any member of your household show symptoms of Covid-19 please notify the school immediately. All members of the household, including children, must remain at home for 14 days. We will ask you to arrange a Covid-19 test and to inform us of the outcome. If this is negative then children can return to school, otherwise they will be expected to remain at home for 14 days.

**NB:** If a member of your household is contacted by Track and Trace and asked to self-isolate for 14 days, the other people living in the house **do not** need to self-isolate as well unless the initial person develops symptoms of Covid-19 and has a positive test result. Then, the rules above must be followed.

Please see the information posters previously distributed, or refer to readily available online information if you need any further guidance.



**FLBSA News:** We hope that the FLBSA team will be able to plan some events for us in the near future – probably online events..... watch this space.

Jane Major  
4<sup>th</sup> November 2020

## Dates for your diaries:

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November: Children in Need

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December: End of term

