

Update for parents

Friday 12th February 2021

Dear Parents,

We have reached the end of Term 3 and I think everyone will be grateful for a rest from their screens for a while. I hope you have a lovely half term despite the restrictions and we look forward to seeing the children on Monday 22nd February, when we are anticipating news from the government on the re-opening of schools.

I would like to extend our thanks for all the amazing support you have given the children with their home learning. We have really enjoyed seeing the brilliant things you have been doing with your children at home as well as keeping up with the maths, reading and writing.

Parents' Survey

Thank you to everyone who completed the parent survey on remote learning. The responses were overwhelmingly positive and I have shared your feedback with the staff. We will use the feedback to continue to improve our offer as we return to the remote learning after half term.

Safer Internet presentation for parents: 25th February at 7pm.

I have purchased an online safer internet presentation for parents on Thursday 25th February at 7pm. There is a leaflet attached with all the information you need. It is a 60 minute session on Zoom. All you need to do is join, sit back and listen in the comfort of your own home, there is no requirement to switch on your camera or microphone but you can ask questions at the end if you like. The session is entitled 'Parenting in the Digital World' and it is being run by Richard from The Stay Safe Initiative. Please do sign up – I am sure it will be a worthwhile session that will help you keep your children safe.

Keep on learning....

The children have been participating in all sorts of brilliant activities this week – thanks to our amazing parents!

Year 6 watched a live dissection of a pig's heart performed by one of parents who is a secondary science teacher. Charlie in Year 6 said he is glad that our organs are on the inside! The lesson was fascinating and really enhanced children's understanding of the heart.

Children in Reception have been very busy learning all about "Everyday Superheroes", interviewing people who help us. On Tuesday they asked the firefighters at Tetbury fire station lots of excellent questions. They showed the children their fire engine, safety equipment, cutting tools and the hoses. They even sounded the siren! Thanks to Andy Howell and Sacha. On Wednesday the children talked to nurse Hannah Chiles who told them all about how she became a nurse, working hard at school and studying at University. The children also spoke to Doctor Lou who explained where she works and why she enjoys her job. On Thursday we interviewed DC Reen who is a detective in the police force. She explained how she finds clues to catch the "baddies" and showed the children her handcuffs. Huge thanks to everyone who answered all of the children's questions and taught them so much. The children have been really inspired by the people they spoke to and we have lots of aspiring Everyday Superheroes in Reception now!

Love Trail

Thank you to our fantastic PTFA who have continued to come up with fun and creative ways to keep raising funds for our school throughout the pandemic. Nothing will curb their enthusiasm! The Tetbury Love Trail will be on during half term and we would urge everyone to get involved. We are increasing



the number of laptops in school and the PTFA have very generously agreed to pay for a new charging trolley amongst other things, so your support is much appreciated.

Have a great half term everyone!

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher